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N. WALES NUM CALLS STRIKE OFF

Members 'voted with their feet'

By JOHN RICHARDS and STEPHEN WARD

A FURTHER crack in the pit dispute emerged last night as miners' leaders in North Wales declared officially that they could no longer back the strike, saying their members had "voted with their feet" and returned to work.

The decision by the North Wales NUM area came as 940 more miners nationally abandoned the strike and joined the drift back to work. This brought to 3,278 the total for the first two days of this week.

North Wales is a small area with two collieries and is traditionally moderate. There have been only token pickets in the area recently.

Most of the 650 NUM members at one of the pits, Point of Ayr, near Prestatyn, have been working throughout the strike.

The other pit, Bersham, near Wrexham, was on strike until a ballot a fortnight ago. Although the ballot was narrowly against a return, 81 per cent of the 420 miners have now gone back, according to the Coal Board.

Mr Ray Ellis, North Wales area president, who only last Friday introduced Mr Arthur Scargill, the union's national president, to a rally in Wrexham, said last night: "We have to recognise the fact that our members have voted with their feet."

"Obviously the men have had a change of heart after the ballot and have been drifting back to work."

Willis attacks 'lunatic management'

In Birmingham, Mr Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, told a conference organised by Acas, the independent conciliation service, that the Coal Board's tactics in the strike were "lunatic management."

The return to work by some men while others were still on strike split the workforce. He added: "I see the hatred being created as each and every miner goes back that will last from before primary school to the grave."

The present tactics of the board in encouraging miners to return might change the nature of the dispute, but would not solve it.

"It is bad management," Mr Willis went on.

Miners still felt that the board had breached agreements. This was an underlying part of the dispute and the board should take the opportunity to revise the Plan for Coal because the NUM said it was prepared to discuss it.

The policy of allowing men to slide back to work while trying to create poverty through a long dispute was "shortsighted, beyond belief."

There was a need for the Government to agree on the future of the coal industry and

Walker takes Stockton 'middle way'

By JAMES WIGHTMAN Political Correspondent

MR PETER WALKER last night made his most controversial speech yet distancing himself from the Prime Minister and the Government's economic strategy.

To his familiar advocacy of more liberal policies he added the spirit and the words of the maiden Lords speech last week by Mr Macmillan, now the Earl of Stockton.

The Energy Secretary, last surviving "wet" in the Cabinet, was giving the first Harold Macmillan lecture in London to an audience of young Conservatives, of whom he is the national president.

Entitling his speech "The middle way—50 years ago," he quoted at length from Lord Stockton over the years.

He warned the Tories that in some ways the dangers to Britain's social cohesion are

Car strike likely to fold today

By MAURICE WEAVER Industrial Staff

THE LAST of the Austin Rover strikers, 5,000 at Longbridge, are expected to return to work today, after the 7,500 Cowley workers defied shop stewards yesterday and voted for an end to the 16-day strike.

All 10,000 Longbridge employees are expected to attend a mass meeting today near the Birmingham plant, where limited production of Metro and Rover 200 saloons has already resumed.

With an estimated 25,000 of its 28,000 workforce back on shift, the company said it was confident that the meeting would finally put paid to a strike which it believed "only the shop stewards wanted."

But it said it still planned to pursue High Court actions for contempt against the Transport Workers' Union and the white-collar engineers' union AUEW (TASS) which have spearheaded the £130 million stoppage.

£250,000 fine

The cases against the two unions are to be heard on Monday unless they show a radical change of attitude to that which led them to defy an injunction ordering a return to work. If contempt is proved the company could claim damages of up to £250,000 from each union.

The collapse of the Austin Rover strike was virtually assured yesterday when workers at the Cowley body plant and assembly plant voted overwhelmingly to reject their leaders' advice to continue with the strike.

At a mass meeting of body plant workers, Mr Alec Morton, the transport union convenor, offered them a £15 a week strike pay, back-dated to the first day of the stoppage, if they agreed to stay out.

The company has stuck to its offer of a two-year deal giving increases of between £16.50 and £18.50 a week on basic grade rates by November next year. Increases include consolidation of a £3.75 existing bonus and are estimated to be worth 7.8 per cent next year and 7.2 per cent in 1985-86.

The union claim has been for a £22-a-week rise across the board in a one-year agreement.

STANDSTILL AT FORD PLANTS CONTINUES

By Our Industrial Staff

Ford car production remained at a standstill yesterday because of an unofficial strike by 270 women sewing machinists over their grading.

Six thousand of the 9,600 workers at Halewood, Merseyside, and 3,800 at Ford's Dagenham, Essex, have been laid off, because without the women to make seat covers, no cars can be built.

The women want to be re-graded to raise their £120-a-week wage, including bonuses, to £135-15. Ford is losing cars with a total showroom value of £10 million each day.

\$30m TAX BILL ON WOMAN'S £28m ESTATE

By Our Stockholm Correspondent

Death duties on the estate of 86-year-old Mrs Sally Kistner, reported to be Sweden's richest woman, were so heavy that they swallowed up all the £28 million she left and resulted in her heirs being presented with a bill for £2 million more.

Mrs Kistner, a co-owner of the giant Astra chemical company, died last March. Her estate was declared bankrupt, when the executors announced they had been forced to sell all her shares in the company to pay taxes.

But, by the time the tax authorities had decided on the amount of death duties which were payable—based on Mrs Kistner's wealth on the day of her death—the value of the shares had fallen and no longer met the bill.

CHEMICAL LEAK

Twenty-eight people were in Huddersfield Royal Infirmary last night after being overcome by poisonous fumes when a tanker spilled its load of ferri-chloride and sodium hypochlorite outside a chemical factory in Slaithwaite, near Huddersfield, Yorks.

Last night it was said from Downing Street, that the Prime Minister had not read Mr Walker's speech, but was expected to take her usual relaxed view of his words.

It was highly unlikely that she would want to dismiss him from the Cabinet, it was said. However, some of Mr Walker's critics were again saying that he should resign.

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A Red Cross worker carrying two children to safety after the giant gas plant explosion left a suburb of Mexico City an inferno in which at least 544 people were killed. Report and another picture—P4.

Two 'violent men' freed in ambush

By T. A. SANDROCK Crime Correspondent

TWO East London criminals, described as "violent and dangerous," were still on the run last night after being freed from a prison van by at least four men near Reigate, Surrey, yesterday.

In an ambush operation lasting only 55 seconds the gang freed the two men after threatening four prison officer escorts and the van driver with an axe, a sledge hammer and pick handles. A third prisoner in the van was told: "It's not your day."

The escaped prisoners, John Kendall, 35, from Dagenham, who was serving ten years for burglary and conspiracy, and Terence George Smith, 25, of Plaistow, jailed for 15 years for armed robbery, were being transferred from Maidstone Jail to Parkhurst.

The gang had detailed knowledge of their journey and of the prison department vehicle, the unmarked Transit van—in which they were travelling.

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TEBBIT'S WIFE IMPROVING

MRS MARGARET TEBBIT, paralysed from the neck down in the Brighton bomb explosion, has gained more movement in both legs and her condition continues to improve, doctors at Stoke Mandeville Hospital said yesterday.

She has also developed some movement in her left arm and in the fingers of her right hand.

Her husband, Mr Norman Tebbit, Trade and Industry Secretary, is also making satisfactory progress, but has not yet had a necessary skin graft operation. He suffered broken ribs and hip injuries in the bombing.

Prince Philip visited the hospital yesterday and spent several minutes chatting to the Tebbits.

Mrs Tebbit joked with him that she can now feel the injections she receives.

BY-ELECTION TO BE HELD ON DEC. 13

By Our Political Staff

Dec. 13 is to be polling day in the by-election at Enfield Southgate caused by the death of Sir Anthony Berry, the sitting Conservative member in the Brighton hotel bombing.

The writ for the contest in which the Conservatives are defending a majority of 15,819 over the Liberals, is expected to be moved in the Commons today.

Mr Michael Portillo, 31, a political adviser to Mr Lawson, Chancellor, was chosen last weekend as the Conservative candidate.

Mr Berry, 67, was shot by a 15.75 lb. bomb in the Brighton hotel on May 10, 1984.

LOWER INTEREST

By Our City Staff

Interest rates on some National Savings accounts are being cut in line with reductions in bank and building society rates. A cut of 1 per cent, will reduce the investment account return in H1, per cent, from Dec. 1, and the income and deposit bonds' return to 12 per cent, from Jan. 2.

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Today's Weather

GENERAL SYNOPTIC: Low in N.E. will fill as frontal troughs approach S.W.

LONDON, MIDLANDS, S.E. CEN. S. ENGLAND, E. AVALIA: Sunny intervals, perhaps showers, evening rain. Wind S.W. moderate or fresh, backing S. Max 50F (10C).

E. N.E. ENGLAND: Rain dying out, brighter for time. Wind N.W. or W. moderate backing S.W. 48F (9C).

CANAL IS. S.W. ENGLAND, WALES: Showers, sunny spells heavy rain later. Wind S.W. fresh or strong, moderating, but strong to gale later. 52F (11C).

N.W. ENGLAND, S.W. SCOTLAND, N. IRELAND: Rain dying out, bright spells, heavy rain later. Wind variable or light becoming S. 50F (10C).

S. NORTH SEA, STRAIT OF DOVER, ENG. CH. (E.): Wind S.W., force 6 to gale 8. Sea rough or very rough.

ST. GEORGES CH. IISH SEA: S.W. 67 to gale 8 backing S. S. Very rough becoming moderate.

OUTLOOK: Showers windy.

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I was tricked says Briton held in 'plot'

By SIMON INGRAM in Cairo

A BRITISH businessman held in Cairo after an alleged plot to murder a Libyan political exile said yesterday that Egyptian security agents had duped him into entering their country.

Godfrey Shiner, 47, was speaking at the Ministry of the Interior in Cairo three days after President Mubarak of Egypt accused him of being a member of a four-man hit squad sent by Col. Gaddafi to assassinate Mr Abdel Hamid Bakoush, a former Prime Minister of Libya.

"I was tricked into coming to this country by Egyptian security," Shiner said.

He also complained that he had been prevented from attending his father's funeral, and from contacting his wife.

He said he was ready to put up £10,000 bail.

Fit and well

Tall, greying and dressed in a beige jacket and brown trousers, Shiner looked fit and well. An Egyptian official promised that he would be permitted to telephone his wife later.

The Interior Ministry also produced the two Maltese alleged to belong to the gang, Romeo Schembri, 42, and Edgar Cachia, 40, appeared tired but otherwise well. Neither man spoke.

The other Briton said to be a member of the alleged hit squad, Anthony Gill, 48, was also seen at the Ministry of the Interior last night looking cool and relaxed in a brown suit and open-necked striped shirt.

Officials permitted no questions. Earlier, he had been visited by the British Consul, who said Gill had no complaints.

The Egyptian news agency Mena carried what it described as a "sensitive" report.

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WEST WATCHES FOR SIGNAL TO KINNOCK

By NIGEL WADE in Moscow

Mr Kinnock arrives in Moscow tonight and expects to become the first Western politician to meet President Chernenko since the American Presidential election.

Diplomats will be studying the meeting for signs of any change in the Russian attitude towards the United States on the key issue of arms control.

Mr Chernenko has indicated recently that Soviet-American relations could improve provided Washington made the first concessions for talks.

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Shares drop

Our FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT writes: Shares drifted yesterday as investors prepared their Christmas applications. The FINANCIAL TIMES 30-share index closed 6.3 lower at 912.8. Reports of a further fall in oil prices weakened the pound, which closed 85 pence down at 81.2410.

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AUEW DEFIES TUC LINE ON BALLOT CASH

By STEPHEN WARD Industrial Staff

THE national executive of the moderate Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers voted by five to three yesterday to ask its 1,005,000 members whether they are in favour of letting the Government fund the union's election for all its officials.

These elections cost the AUEW £500,000 a year. But TUC policy forbids accepting Government money to hold postal ballots.

No union apart from the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union has so far broken ranks.

The Government offered to fund ballots as one of the provisions of the 1980 Employment Act, but to qualify unions have to signal their acceptance by applying before Feb. 1, 1985.

Recouping £1.8 million Mr Terence Duffy, president of the AUEW, has been trying unsuccessfully since 1980 to persuade the union's annual delegate conference to accept cash for ballots.

Yesterday he pointed out at the national executive that it was the last chance to take the money, and proposed that the members should decide, to make the idea more palatable.

Ballot papers will be sent to members on Dec. 21 to be returned by Jan. 11, in time for the result to be declared before the Government's deadline.

If the members accept, the

AUEW will be able to recoup a sum to the region of £1.8 million, the cost of elections held since 1980.

Reflecting views

Mr Duffy suggested that the union should reappraise its blanket opposition to cash for ballots.

"We believe that in a democracy, everyone in power should be accountable to his members and should reflect their views."

"If they decide the money should be taken, in spite of the divisions that might be created, I have no doubt we shall take it."

The TUC's opposition to the EPTU and the AUEW is likely to surface at today's meeting of the Employment Policy and Organisation Committee, where other union leaders will try to persuade the moderates to change their minds.

But the ultimate sanction of expulsion from the TUC would probably hurt the TUC more than it would hurt the AUEW and the EPTU.

Miners 'not deterred by threats'

By JOHN WILLIAMS

TWO Yorkshire miners who abandoned the strike and went back to the coal face yesterday vowed they would not bend to intimidation.

A hate campaign has been mounted against Mr George McDonald, 37, and Mr Graham Smith, 39, since they joined the 17 miners working at Markham main colliery, Armthorpe, near Doncaster.

The return to work of Mr McDonald, of Whitley Hall Road, Doncaster, and Mr Smith, of Cantley, Doncaster, has prompted telephoned death threats to their homes, and threats to their lives.

But yesterday, Mr McDonald disclosed that it was earlier threats that persuaded him to abandon the strike.

"I had been on strike for seven months when I was warned by the N.U.M. to keep out of Armthorpe or have my legs broke," he said.

"This was before I had even thought of going back. Apparently the union were picking on people at random with these warnings."

Plastic body bag

"It made me decide enough is enough—nobody is telling me where I can or cannot go."

Since his return to work, three sets of undertakers have been sent to his home, one of them carrying plastic body bags and tape measure.

"They have all been told that I had passed away and wanted to be buried from here," he said.

Mr Smith said: "My neighbours' house has been hit by stones aimed at us. My name has been featured in graffiti plastered over local walls and shopkeepers have been urged to boycott my wife."

Although he admitted being "very frightened," he said he was determined to continue working despite a death threat on Friday and being told that "pit accidents can easily be arranged."

PRESCRIPTION

'MISCONDUCT'

WARNING

Doctors all over the country may be guilty of misconduct by issuing signed blank prescription forms for their receptionists to fill in, the General Medical Council heard yesterday.

Three doctors found guilty of serious professional misconduct told the council's professional conduct committee that they followed the "blank" prescription policies already operating when they joined their practice.

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"Old Moore" at the Front
"As far as I can make out from this ere prophecy-book, Bill, the seventh year is going to be the worst, and after that every fourteenth!"

Names of men at work put up in Welsh pubs

By COLIN RANDALL

THE names, addresses and telephone numbers of working miners have been displayed in some public houses and clubs in South Wales. Abusive telephone calls are said to have resulted, and Gwent police are checking to see if the list amounts to incitement.

Some copies have been put up without the permission of the publicans or club officials concerned.

The list identifies 20 men who have returned to work at Celynneu South pit near Newbridge, Gwent.

It also quotes from the vitriolic description by the radical writer Jack London of strike-breakers earlier this century.

His message, from which the N.U.M. vice president, Mr Mick McGahey, also likes to quote at miners' rallies, reads in part:

"After God had finished the rattlesnakes, the toad and the vampire, he had some awful substance left with which he made a scab."

The back-to-work movement

in South Wales yesterday passed what the Coal Board called the significant landmark of 100—though this is still less than half of one per cent of the region's workforce.

Mr Philip Weekes, NCB area director, said that although the fear of ostracism in close-knit communities was an important factor which had so far helped to prevent a substantial return to work in South Wales, "widespread disaffection" was now beginning to emerge, and could soon manifest itself more positively.

Of the total of 101 miners working yesterday, an increase of 16 on Monday's figure, 59 were at Cynheidre, 22 at Celynneu South, five at Marine, four each at Abernart and Blaenart, three at Merthyr Vale, two at Cwm and one each at Nantgarw and the Phurnacile smokeless fuel plant near Aberdare.

Half return to work

FOR the second day running, coal was produced on two shifts at Bilston Glen colliery, near Edinburg, yesterday as 705 miners—more than half the workforce—returned to the pit.

The increase of 65 on Monday's figure was described by the Scottish division of the National Coal Board as "very encouraging." A spokesman said 1,000 tons of coal a day was now being mined, about 20 per cent of normal output.

A total of 1,400 miners are now working in Scottish pits, a rise of 142 on Monday's total.

Coal Board officials believe the National Union of Mineworkers has abandoned serious picketing at Bilston Glen, one of the more moderate collieries whose men voted against strike action. The last big demonstration, involving some 650 pickets, was five weeks ago and only a handful now stand and jeer at the gates.

Yesterday nine buses brought to more than 500 men, with another 200 arriving in private cars.

Since the strike began eight months ago a total of 444 pickets have been arrested outside Scottish pits.

NCB's strike statistics

Coal Board figures of pits working and on strike, the number of miners returning for the first time, and total numbers working yesterday:

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REVENGE OF THE LOVE-SICK RECTOR

By GERALD BARTLETT

A RECTOR was put on probation yesterday for sabotaging the brakes on the car of a married woman who rejected him although he was desperately in love with her.

A condition of the sentence is that Peter Renouf, 54-year-old rector of Farnborough, Hants, must undergo psychiatric treatment for his depression for the whole of the two-year probation.



Mrs Gwen Cooper: muddled with grief.

Mrs COOPER DRINK CASE DROPPED

TWO drink driving charges against Mrs Gwen Cooper, widow of the comedian Tommy Cooper, were dropped at Acton magistrates' court, West London, yesterday.

Mrs Cooper, 63, pleaded guilty to driving without due care and attention, but two charges of driving with excess alcohol in her blood and driving while under the influence of drink were dropped when the prosecuting counsel, Mr John Hillyer, said he was offering no evidence.

Mrs Cooper was fined £100 and had her licence endorsed with four points on the care-less driving charge.

Stage props removed

Mr LAWRENCE KERSHAW, defending, said that on the day of the accident, in August, four months after Mr Cooper died during a TV show — Mrs Cooper was still experiencing a "sense of loss and grief that was profound."

She became very upset when a firm of auctioneers came to the family home to remove her husband's treasured stage props.

Muddled with grief, she got into her Mercedes car outside her home in Barrowgate Road, Chiswick. She was then involved in an accident which left her car a write-off and another car extensively damaged.

WIFE, 77, PINNED UNDER CORPSE

A 77-year-old woman was trapped for three days under the dead body of her 16-stone husband after he had collapsed on to her in their bed, it was disclosed yesterday.

Mrs Grace Musgrave, whose husband Sam was 81, was rescued by a nephew who called at the house, in The Hollies, Bream, Glos, police said. Mrs Musgrave was in hospital yesterday.

Liza Minnelli put on drugs road at funeral

By TONY ALLEN-MILLS in New York

A SHOCKING portrait of a slow and anguished decline into drug dependency has been painted by Liza Minnelli, the actress, who says her long battle with addiction began the day she attended the funeral of her mother, Judy Garland.

In a stark appraisal of the troubles that forced her to seek treatment Miss Minnelli acknowledged that she had "foiled herself for years" about her dependency on drugs.

The 38-year-old actress told PEOPLE magazine that when her mother died in 1969 after a long battle with alcohol and drugs she was left in charge of the funeral arrangements.

"I was devastated but also determined that the funeral would be as perfect as could be, exactly as she would have wanted."

Doctor's diagnosis

"There were photographers everywhere. A doctor was brought in to look me over and his diagnosis was the obvious one: tension and grief. He prescribed Valium and 15 years later you fall down hard."

Miss Minnelli said that for years she did not realise she was becoming dependent on drugs although she did develop a whole new "soothing" vocabulary — Valium, Librium, Dalmane, Milt — all nice-sounding names.

The people who manufacture drugs use names like that to make it easier for you to take them."



Liza Minnelli: battle with addiction.

She continued: "You begin rationalising: If Valium calms me during the day a sleeping pill at night will help, too, and wine doesn't hurt. Right?" Finally her sister urged her to try the Betty Ford rehabilitation centre. Elizabeth Taylor had been treated there and Miss Minnelli had commented on how well she looked as a result. In July she was admitted as a patient and after drug detoxification and psychological counselling she renewed determination to survive.



Peter Renouf, 54, a rector, who cut the brake pipes on the car of a married woman who had rejected him.

I'm no blonde bomber claims 'Glenholmes'

By OUR DUBLIN CORRESPONDENT

A WOMAN claiming to be Evelyn Glenholmes, whose extradition from the Irish Republic is being sought by Scotland Yard concerning five IRA bombings, said yesterday that she had not been in England since she was nine.

She was interviewed by two reporters in the Dublin suburb of Tallaght, where she said she had been in hiding since information about the plan to extradite her was leaked in the SUNDAY TIMES.

The reporters said that the woman looked smaller and thinner than the artist's impression issued by British police of the "Blonde Bomber" wanted for the Chelsea Barracks explosion in 1981.

Dublin police were keeping a close watch on homes of known IRA supporters in Dublin last night in the belief that she may be moved from one "safe" house to another.

Regular visits

The woman, 34, in 1981, the year of the British bombings, she was living at her parents' home in the Riversdale area, of West Belfast.

She had been doing part-time community work and was also involved in the Belfast Sinn Féin Women's Centre. She made regular visits to her boyfriend, a Provisional IRA prisoner in the Maze.

She admitted she was a member of Sinn Féin, but denied she was in the IRA.

She said she had no trouble remembering where she was throughout 1981. "I'm not a traveller," she said. "I'm not an international jet-setter. It's very easy for me to remember where I was — I was home to Riversdale."

When asked if she could provide an alibi for the dates in 1981 when Scotland Yard claims she was involved in bombings, she said she had been working in a bar at a West Belfast social club.

She declined to be more specific except to say that it was not a Republican social club. She added: "The people who could alibi me, I'd be frightened of them being intimidated."

English accent

Asked why she had disappeared from a house in Dundaalk, County Louth, and gone on the run, she said she had returned from visiting her family in Belfast on Nov. 8 to be told by a neighbour that a man with an English accent and a tape recorder had been asking for her.

She said she thought immediately of the SAS.

She said that only later did she realise that the man must have been a reporter. She said that the allegations against her of involvement in the IRA bombings in Britain dated from 1981 and she had never once been questioned about them during her time in the RUC's Castlereagh Holding Centre in late 1983.

1,000-day jail wait for trial

THE longest-serving remand prisoner in the United Kingdom has again been refused bail after spending two years and 10 months, or more, than 1,000 days, in jail.

Ulster's Lord Chief Justice, Lord Lowry, told THOMAS ANTHONY POWER, 31, of Friendly Street, Belfast, yesterday that he could not be satisfied he would not turn up for his trial.

Power is awaiting trial on a murder charge and on a charge of being a member of the Irish National Liberation Army.

Lord Lowry said his power to grant bail was restricted by Parliament because under Section 2 of the 1978 Emergency Provisions Act, he had to be satisfied that the accused would not interfere with witnesses, not commit offences, and would turn up for his trial.

The judge said Power had put forward an excellent argument. But it was not the courts which made policy, nor could they override the law as set down in Section 2.

'Life without life' for killer Briton

By IAN BRODIE in Los Angeles

DESPITE a mother's anguished plea for leniency, California's dreaded sentence of life without parole was imposed on David Carter, 22, the Briton convicted of the sex and torture murder of a Pasadena housewife.

Judge Gilbert Alston, passing sentence, indicated he wished he could send Carter to the gas chamber. He was prevented from doing so, under California law, by the jury which found Carter guilty in May.

They recommended life without parole instead of the death penalty after hearing relatives and friends from Britain testify to the previous good character of Carter who grew up in Buxton, Derbyshire, and Farnborough, Sussex.

Sexually assaulted

His mother, Mrs Rosemary Carter, sobbed at the sentencing hearing as she recounted that Carter's fiancée in England had borne him a son.

Carter, a slight figure, was found to have bound, slashed and sexually assaulted Mrs Gloria Black, 51, a next-door neighbour, when the family lived in Pasadena in 1982. He is likely to be sent to San Quentin, notorious for its violence.

His father, Mr Brian Carter, a chemical factory designer now living in Canada, had earlier called the sentence "life without life" and said he feared Carter would be a victim to San Quentin.

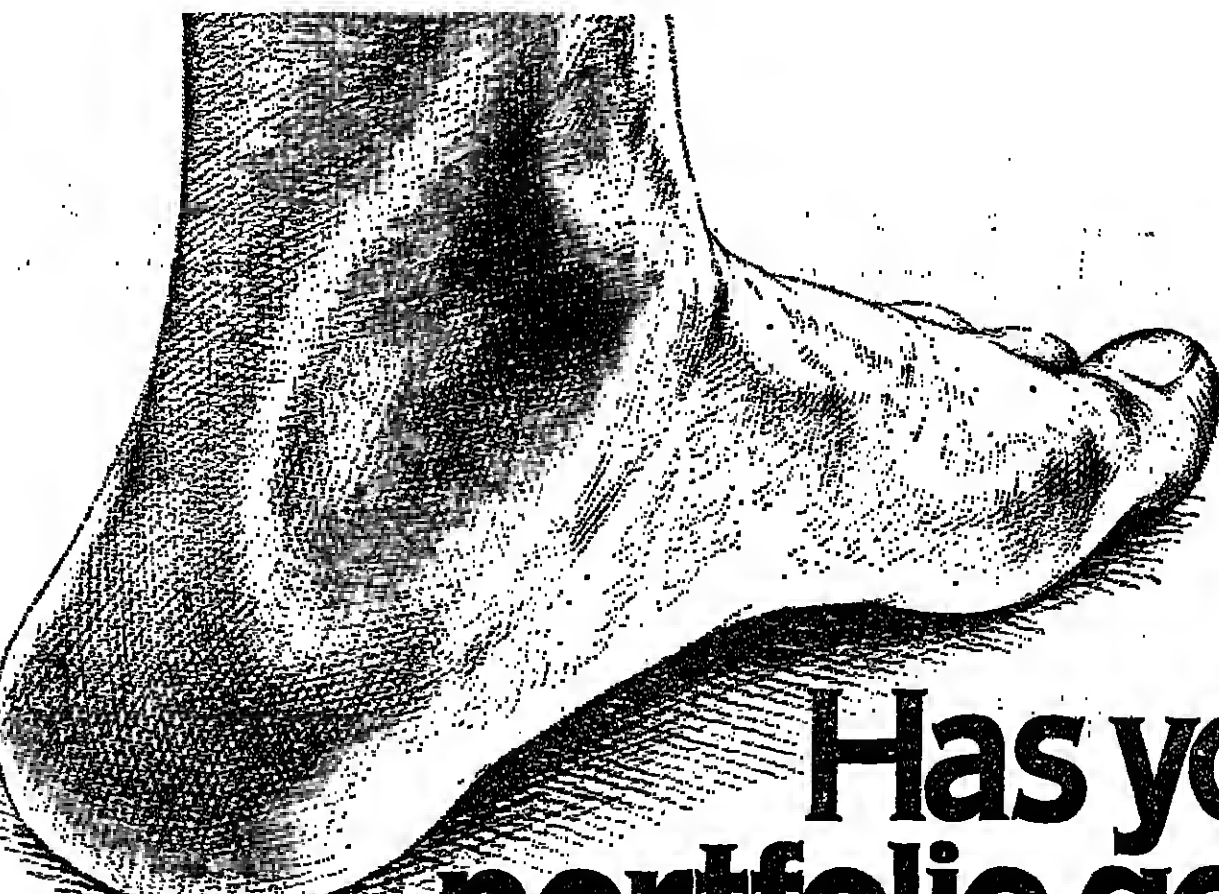
"He's going to be gang-raped and will go from perversity to perversity because he cannot protect himself. He's a quiet, passive boy."

MURDER CHARGE

A man was remanded to custody yesterday at South Western Magistrates' Court, London, charged with murdering Leonie Darnley, 7, of Austin Road, Battersea. The man faces rape charges at another London court.

PLANE MISSING

The search for a mail plane missing in the Highlands was called off last night until this morning. The aircraft, a twin-engine Bandeirante with only the pilot Mr Donald Walker, 50, from Tonbridge, Kent, on board, disappeared minutes after take-off for Inverness Airport on Monday night.



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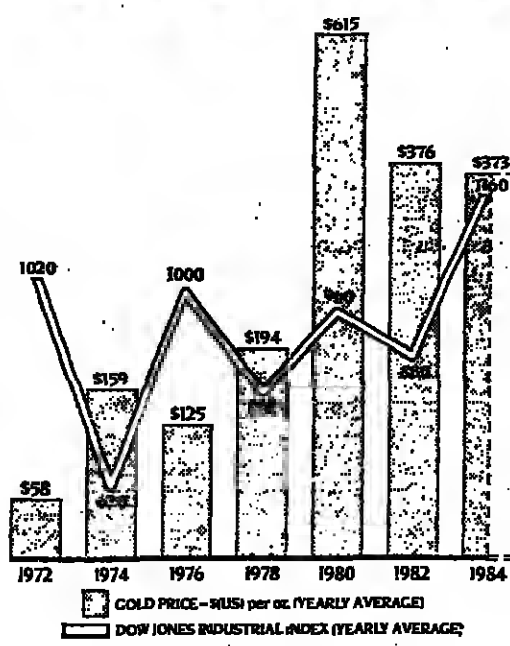
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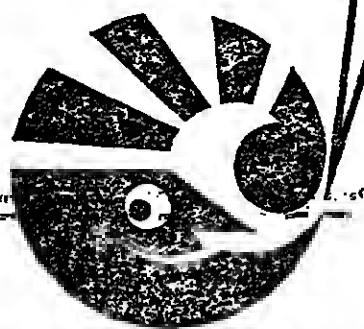
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DEATH TOLL IN GAS-BLAST CITY REACHES 544

By MARK FAZLOLLAH

FIREFIGHTERS yesterday brought under control a gas plant fire that authorities say killed at least 544 people and injured another 2,000 in a Mexico City shantytown suburb.

Ten thousand people were evacuated from the devastated area around the liquid gas processing plant and petro-chemical complex in San Juan Ixhauhtec, to the north of the Mexican capital.

Investigators said the explosion was apparently set off by a fire at a gas truck that was used to deliver fuel to homes.

Eighty thousand barrels of liquefied gas exploded as the fire spread to the adjacent gas and petrochemical processing plants operated by Petrolera Mexicana, the State oil company.

The pre-dawn explosion sent red and orange flames swirling a mile into the sky, turning night into day and sending thousands of terrified shantytown residents fleeing from their homes.

Many houses made from petrol barrels melted in the immense heat, killing occupants in seconds.

Saw building melt

Mexico generally does not enforce zoning regulations separating industrial and residential areas. Shantytowns surround most factories in the Mexico City metropolitan area, which has a population of 17 million.

The earth-shaking blast levelled houses and factories near the spherical storage tanks, leaving only scorched earth.

Some 6,500 police kept watch over the now-barren landscape as troops in combat fatigues searched the rubble for victims. More than 50 looters were arrested.

Survivors spoke of the hor-

ror as 500ft flames engulfed the area. Senior Juan Vizcarra told reporters he saw a metal building melt. "Heat could not be hotter," he said.

"I heard a rumble and rushed out into the street but the heat struck me and I ran back inside to help my family. I tried to get my parents out of their house but it was burned to ashes."

Other survivors said birds were fried by the heat of the flames. A police sergeant said corpses "were just fried."

The sergeant said many people died half-naked in the street as they tried to outrun flames that leaped from house to house. Entire families were incinerated in the grimy suburb.

Thousands of firefighters, at least 150 ambulance crews and hundreds of troops were sent to the scene.

As the fires were brought under control and the scale of the disaster emerged, critics said it had been a matter of time before such a calamity struck.

Politicians yesterday called for urgent relocation of industries from the overcrowded capital. "We should have known something like this could happen," said Senator Juan Jose Castro of the official Farmers' Union.

Like many Third World cities, the population of Mexico City has ballooned. It is now one of the busiest cities in the world and 1,500 peasants arrive daily to seek work.



A ball of fire erupting from a liquid gas storage tank at the processing plant on the outskirts of Mexico City.

Thatcher stands firm on Unesco reform

By JAMES MACMANUS Diplomatic Staff

MRS THATCHER renewed her attack yesterday on the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation, although Downing Street sources say the Government has not made a final decision on whether to leave the controversial Paris-based agency.

The Prime Minister said in the Commons she believed many of the criticisms of Unesco were "abundantly justified," both on expenditure and its attempts to pre-

vent freedom of speech and of the Press in certain parts of the world.

The expected decision by a Cabinet sub-committee this week to withdraw from Unesco has brought "representations from several Commonwealth countries who are concerned to see Britain work for reform within the organisation."

In London yesterday Mr Cough Whitlam, who is Canberra's ambassador to Unesco, said Britain would only slow down reform by leaving the agency.

Row over funds

In fact notice of withdrawal was given earlier this year because of concern over the mismanagement of the organisation's funds and its increasingly political role in attacking the United States in particular, and the West in general.

Mr Timothy Raison, Overseas Development Minister, is expected to announce the Government's final decision on withdrawal later this week.

The Reagan Administration announced its withdrawal last December, saying that Unesco had become too politicised and showed no fiscal restraint. Both British and American officials frequently point out that 76 per cent of Unesco's budget is spent in its lavish Paris headquarters rather than on field projects.

America provides about 25 per cent of Unesco's budget. The British contribution of around £4 million a year is nearly five per cent of the budget. The departure of both countries would therefore have a drastic effect on Unesco's expenditure.

Pressure on M'Bow

In Whitehall, ministers appear to believe that the threat of such a budget cut will finally induce Mr Amadou M'Bow from Senegal, the agency's Director-General, to embrace far wider reforms than he is contemplating at present.

It remains to be seen whether Mr M'Bow will capitulate to Whitehall and Washington pressure, and resign as Director-General.

REFORM OF AGENCY

EEC members stay in

Our COMMON MARKET CORRESPONDENT writes: EEC ministers, with Britain represented by Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Minister at the Foreign Office, held a wholly inconsequential debate yesterday in Brussels on the question of Unesco membership.

Most Common Market countries stressed that it was better to work for reform within the agency, which Washington has accused of mismanagement and political bias. America and Britain are likely to leave Unesco, but it seems that no other EEC country will follow their lead.

The German, French and Dutch foreign ministers in particular made clear yesterday that they would support moves within Unesco to change the structure before considering resignation.

PARATROOPS ON STAND-BY IN CHAD ALERT

By Our Staff Correspondent in Paris

France had 250 Paratroops on stand-by last night to fly in Chad as an ultimatum to Col Gaddafi to keep his word and pull out all Libyan troops from the Central African country was due to expire at midnight.

Reconnaissance flights by French Jaguar aircraft over northern Chad on Sunday showed the Libyan forces still in position despite assurances from Col Gaddafi that they were withdrawing.

M. Charles Hernu, Defence Minister, briefed President Mitterrand on his visit to Chad at the weekend. The Government in N'Djamena had pointed out that no sooner had the French troops gone than "the Libyans put out their claws again."

U.S. guinea-pigs 'not fully warned' of radioactive hazards

By RICHARD REESTON in Washington

CONGRESSIONAL investigations have disclosed that the American government carried out a series of experiments on humans over 10 years to measure the effects of radiation in the event of nuclear attack without warning them of the full dangers involved.

Hundreds of Americans were exposed to clouds of radiation, had radioactive elements injected into their bodies, and drank radioactive milk.

ABC Television News filed a "Freedom of Information" request about human experimentation and was provided with 22 studies, some involving terminal cancer patients.

From 1963 to 1973 the Atomic Energy Commission used more than 100 prisoners in jails in Oregon and Washington to find out how much radiation it would take to make a man sterile or to cause genetic damage.

Prisoners were given doses of radiation to the testes as high as 60,000 times the amount of a normal X-ray.

Malignant tumour

One former convict, Paul Tresselt, who appeared on the ABC programme said he had not been told the experiments could cause him serious harm and later developed a malignant tumour.

"If they had told me what they should have told me I would never have been in the programme," he said. The prisoners were paid five dollars a month to take part. Their consent forms gave a warning concerning sterility and skin burns.

Tests into the possible effects of a nuclear attack or a nuclear accident were also carried out at the University of Rochester in New York, on hospital patients who had little idea what was being done to them, ABC claimed.

Other experiments on humans were made by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, at Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory in New Mexico and at the Pacific North West Foundation in Seattle.

In one series of tests 57 normal, healthy people swallowed "Uranium 235," a substance known to cause cancer. In another test grazing areas were irradiated, cows ate the grass and humans drank the milk.

Some of the prisoners on whom tests were conducted attempted to sue the Atomic Energy Commission which carried out the tests on them, but were told that the Statute of Limitations had run out.

ABC said they have received many calls from people who participated in tests who now have cancer.

32 CRUISE MISSILES AT GREENHAM

By Maj. Gen. Edward Parades Defence Correspondent

A TOTAL of 32 cruise missiles and Pershing II missiles are now deployed in Western Europe under the West's plan in modernise its intermediate range nuclear forces, and of these 32 cruise missiles are at Greenham Common.

This figure was disclosed yesterday by Gen. Bernard Rogers, Nato's Supreme Allied Commander Europe, speaking at his headquarters at Mons, Belgium. The agreement for modernisation was reached by Nato ministers in December, 1979, under the so-called "Two Track" decision, in response to the Soviet Union's continued deployment of its SS-20 triple warheads nuclear missiles targeted against Western Europe.

The plan agreed was for the deployment of 108 Pershing II and 464 ground-launched cruise missiles by 1988, failing a satisfactory outcome to arms control negotiations with Russia.

But the Geneva negotiations were suspended by Russia late last year, following the West's missile deployments.

Gen. Rogers said that of the missiles now operationally deployed, two flights, each of 18 cruise missiles, were at Greenham Common and one flight of 16 was at Comiso, in Italy.

Location withheld

He said 45 Pershing IIs were also deployed, but did not give the location. Under the plan, however, all Pershing IIs are to be based in Germany.

The original deployment plan involved Britain taking 160 cruise missiles, 96 of them at Greenham Common and a further 64 at Mulesworth, Cambridgeshire, around 1988. West Germany is to take the 108 Pershing IIs, plus 96 cruise missiles.

Italy is to take 112, Belgium 48 and the Netherlands 48 cruise missiles, respectively, but the Netherlands government has postponed making any final decision on numbers until next year.

The West has repeatedly told the Soviet Union that it would be willing to halt deployment of new missiles, or even take away ones already installed, provided a satisfactory arms control agreement or intermediate nuclear forces could be reached.

Nato stand may force election in Denmark

By JULIAN ISHERWOOD in Copenhagen

DENMARK'S ruling Conservative-led coalition has decided to ignore the dictates of the majority Opposition in Parliament, and will vote along Nato lines at the United Nations on security issues.

The move may force a general election to be called next month when the government decision will be debated in Parliament.

The coalition has decided to ignore instructions from the Foreign Policy Council yesterday that it should abstain from voting on an East bloc United Nations proposal for setting up a non-first use of nuclear weapons treaty.

The government decided instead to vote against the proposal along with other Nato partners.

It was the first time in its 18-month term that the Conservative administration has stood firm against a refusal to accept Opposition dictates. In 10 Parliamentary debates the Government has accepted defeat on security policy issues, but refused to call elections.

"I will not call elections on issues other than domestic economic policy," said Mr Poul Schluter, Prime Minister.

Mr Schluter said the Government would draw the line at any proposal which endangered Denmark's Nato membership. Other Government Ministers said that the country was "very close" to an election.

NUCLEAR FREEZE

Oslo to abstain at UN

The Conservative-led Government of Norway faced political crisis yesterday over moves by the anti-nuclear lobby to force it to break ranks with its Nato partners over two arms control resolutions at the United Nations.

Mr Jo Benkow, leader of the dominant Conservative party, said the Centre-Right Government should be ready to "stake its life" as a coalition party members teamed with the Opposition to press for support of a Swedish-Mexican proposal to freeze production and testing of nuclear arms.

The Oslo Government decided yesterday to abstain at the United Nations on the issue. —Reuter.

EEC ENTRY TALKS FAIL ONCE MORE

By ALAN OSBORN

Common Market Correspondent in Brussels

YET another meeting of Common Market foreign ministers has ended with failure to agree on the terms to offer Spain and Portugal for joining the Community.

EEC foreign ministers yesterday discussed the basic problems of access, fish and agriculture which stand in the way of entry.

They agreed on some small regulations regarding fruit and vegetables but these were decided by British officials.

The all-important questions of how and when to allow Spanish wine-makers and fishermen access to the Community market were left unresolved.

The ministers of the Ten will tackle them again next week prior to a formal negotiating session with Spain and Portugal later in the week.

But the impression from yesterday's meeting was that the vital decisions on enlargement may now have to be left to the EEC summit in Dublin on Dec. 3-4.

There is now a clear threat that the scheduled entry date of Jan. 1, 1986, may be missed. It is expected to take a year to complete the national parliamentary processes for enlargement once negotiations have been concluded.

AMBASSADOR NAMED

Mr Toshio Yamazaki, 62, Japan's Ambassador to India, has been appointed Ambassador to Britain. He replaces Mr Takeshi Hirahara. —Reuter.

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GANDHI FAMILY FACES POLLING CIVIL WAR

By DAVID GRAVES in Sultanpur, Uttar Pradesh

MR RAJIV GANDHI yesterday spoke for the first time about threats on his life and the unprecedented security surrounding him after his mother's murder.

Ringed by at least a dozen heavily-built bodyguards, the Indian Prime Minister said: "It is something I will have to live with."

Mr Gandhi, 40, was speaking during an impromptu Press conference in Sultanpur, 400 miles north-east of Delhi, after he had filed his nomination to fight next month's general election.

It was the first time he had spoken to reporters since he succeeded his mother shortly after her assassination on Oct. 31. I was the only Western newspaper correspondent present.

He had flown to the small town in Uttar Pradesh, 50 miles from his constituency in Amethi, with his wife Sonia to hand in his nomination and 500 rupee (US\$2.50) deposit.

He will contest the seat, which he won in a by-election in 1981, in a direct fight with his sister-in-law Mrs Manika Gandhi, 28, the widow of his younger brother, Sanjay. She will file her nomination today in her husband's former constituency.

The local campaign will be the most volatile, personally charged of the election and could develop into a Gandhi family civil war.

'I will win'

An estimated 600,000 voters will decide the battle between them, which is likely to be clouded by the personal animosity and bitterness they feel towards each other after Mrs Indira Gandhi decided to let her elder son fight the seat instead of her daughter-in-law after Sanjay's death in 1980.

When I asked him how he looked forward to fighting his sister-in-law, the Prime Minister said: "It is not something I am looking forward to particularly. But if she wants to contest the seat, then that is her right."

"I'm perfectly confident that I will win, hopefully with an increased majority. I am also convinced we will win the election. There is no doubt in my mind about that."

Mr Gandhi, answering questions somewhat flatteringly, reiterated his speech of last week in which he said changes would be made to make government run more smoothly and easier. By that he was thought to be referring to widespread corruption in government institutions and commerce.

He said India's foreign policy, particularly its leading role within the non-aligned movement, would remain as it



Mrs Manika Gandhi—a direct fight with Mr Gandhi.

was under his mother, as much as his relationship with Britain.

When asked how he felt that Dr Jagjit Singh Chauhan, the London-based Sikh separatist leader, was not persecuted by Britain, Mr Gandhi declined to answer. But he added: "Matters are in hand and things will be done about him."

He also said he was very disappointed that Pakistan had not sent back three Sikh extremists who hijacked an Indian Airlines Boeing 737 during the summer and forced it to fly across the border.

Crowds lined up to catch a glimpse of Mr Gandhi. One security man commented: "When we used to come before there used to be two of us and a few hundred people. Now a few hundreds of us and thousands of people."

First 50 names listed

BILRAM TANON in New Delhi writes: The countdown to India's eighth general election began yesterday when 50 candidates, mainly independents, filed their nomination papers in several constituencies round the country.

Most of the major political parties, including the ruling Congress, have not yet finalised names for the 525 constituencies. No polling is to take place in the troubled states of Assam and Himachal Pradesh.

Nominations can be filed until Nov. 27 and candidates can withdraw until Nov. 29. To practice many candidates withdraw after the deadline, which means they do not participate but their names appear on ballots.

More than 8,000 filed nomination papers for 542 constituencies in 1980 but only 4,900 finally contested the elections.

Rock star party may win Senate seat

By DENIS WARNER in Melbourne

A STARTLING jump in support for the new Nuclear Disarmament party, led by a rock singer, now seems likely to win it a Senate seat in New South Wales, thwarting Labour's hope of gaining control of both Houses of Parliament on Dec. 1.

4 HOSTAGES TAKEN IN POLL FURY

By IAN WARD in Singapore

POST-ELECTION violence erupted in France's South Pacific territory of New Caledonia yesterday when irate Melanesians, who boycotted Sunday's polls, stormed a police station and took four officers hostage.

Two hundred Islanders, members of the Kanak Socialist National Liberation Front, barricaded themselves inside the Thio stockade, 110 miles west of Noumea, the capital, and threatened to release the four hostages only when 20 of their comrades arrested at the height of Sunday's violence were set free.

The Melanesians, or Kanaks as they are called locally, want immediate independence from France. Leaders of the Front pledged yesterday to continue the violence and anti-government demonstrations until France declares Sunday's polls null and void.

Voters stay away

The Islanders held the hostages for five hours before surrendering. Police, who had surrounded the station armed with teargas, allowed the group to go and made no arrests as the hostages were freed.

Widescale sabotage aimed at the poll stations led by Libyao-trained militants succeeded in keeping large numbers from casting their votes, and the overall vote turnout was reported to be less than 50 per cent.

The election results, as announced by the French authorities on Monday, showed a landslide victory to the anti-independence Republicans. While the major psychological victory, French political strategists had hoped the voting exercise might defuse local bitterness over what is seen as a faltering French Parliamence towards the independence issue.

6 helicopters shot down in Afghanistan

By M. AFTAB in Islamabad

SIX Russian helicopters and several aircraft were shot down in Afghanistan last week, according to Western diplomatic reports reaching Islamabad.

A Russian general named only as Karashev was killed when his helicopter was hit by a missile just south of Kabul on Tuesday last week.

Another Russian helicopter was brought down at the same spot on the same day. The Russian pilot, who parachuted to safety, was captured and killed by the guerrillas, but the Afghan soldier who parachuted with him was set free.

A Soviet Mi-24 helicopter gunship was shot down on Nov. 10 near Salang, a village in Luristan province, south-east of Kabul, and two crew members were killed. Later that day while they were bombing the Kabul suburb of Shorabki.

Western diplomats in Kabul report that the Shorabki area is to be "demilitarised" by the Soviet-backed authorities because of the large number of rocket attacks on the capital that have emanated from that sector.

In the Kabul suburb of Rishkore, a Russian AN-12 transport aircraft was shot down by Afghan guerrillas on Nov. 11, while on Nov. 5 the insurgents used rockets, mortars and machine guns to destroy a "several Soviet

Tamil rebels kill 40 in police HQ bombing

By VILMA WIMALADASA in Colombo

AT least 40 police and civilians died yesterday when guerrillas bombed a major police station in Sri Lanka's troubled northern province of Jaffna.

The guerrillas are reported to have thrown grenades into the building at Chavakachcheri after the explosion blew in the roof.

Army reinforcements from the northern capital of Jaffna, 10 miles away, were at first unable to reach the wrecked station because of road blocks and land mines.

The police station staff had been reinforced with extra personnel after an earlier unsuccessful attack.

The bombing came 24 hours after rebel mines blew up an army convoy killing the commander of the northern area, and wounding four soldiers.

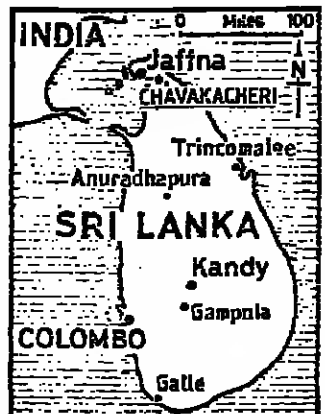
The attack caused the highest death toll among security men since July last year, when guerrillas ambushed and killed 15 Sinhalese soldiers, touching off a wave of ethnic violence.

Mr Athulath Mudali, Minister of National Security, last night broadcast an appeal for calm.

Informers shot

Both Tamil and Sinhalese police were among casualties as well as civilians who were at the police station at the time of the explosion, he said.

Since the 1983 killings there has been sporadic violence both in North Jaffna and East Batticaloa, which terrorists want as a separate Tamil state.



MARCOS HEALTH RIDDLE

By IAN WARD in Singapore

AS Manila seethed with rumours that President Marcos had undergone major surgery, was seriously ill, and had even died, a statement purportedly from the Filipino leader last night insisted he was in "good health."

But it did little to dampen widespread public speculation over the President's condition. Mr Francisco Tala, the former Information Minister, who is now an Opposition politician and newspaper columnist, wrote on Monday that the President, 67, underwent "major surgery" last Wednesday.

Bloodshed fear

The widespread belief is that doctors have performed a kidney transplant.

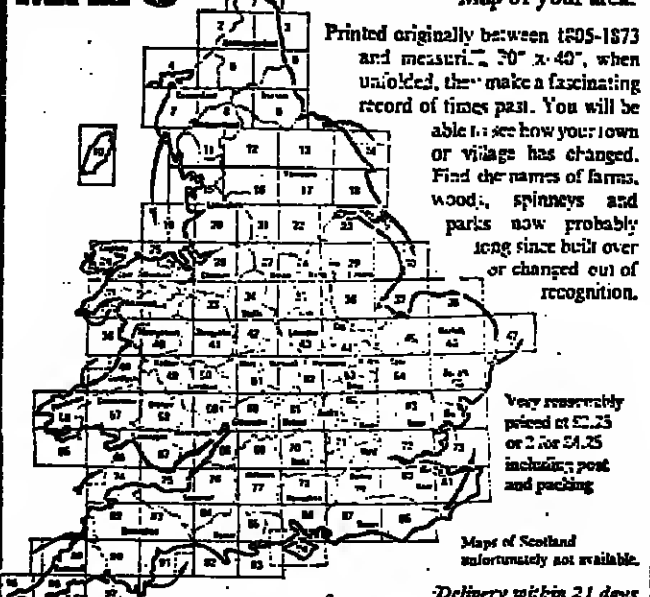
The Presidential Palace's initial flat denial of the operation report was superseded by another that qualified any reference to the operation and merely gave assurances that the Chief of State was attending to his official duties.

The latest rumours came as the Government's top official advisers are about to fly to financial capitals around the world for crucial meetings with bankers aimed at rescheduling the nation's staggering overseas debt.

Observers fear any sudden incapacity of President Marcos could unleash tensions for power by several politically ambitious figures, both civilian and military.

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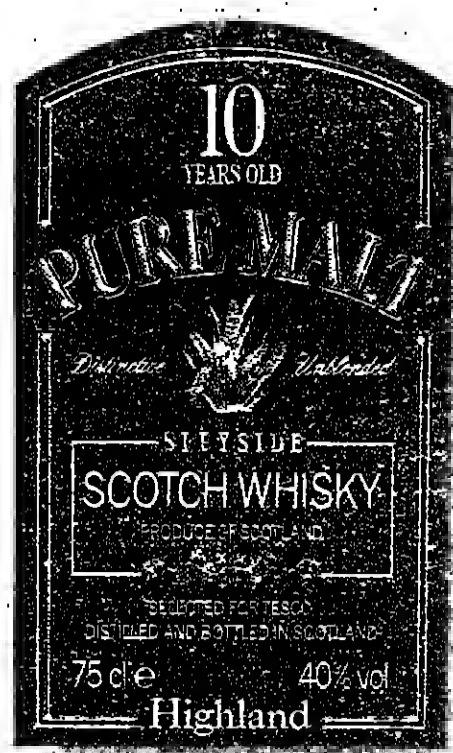
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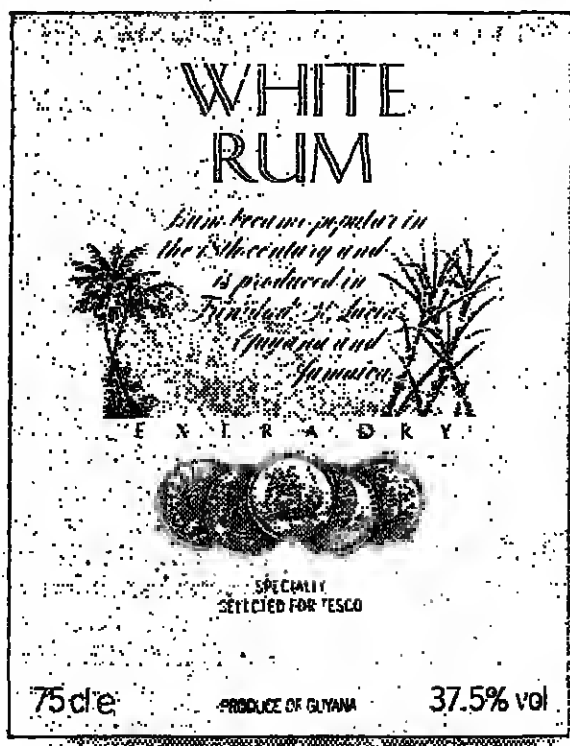
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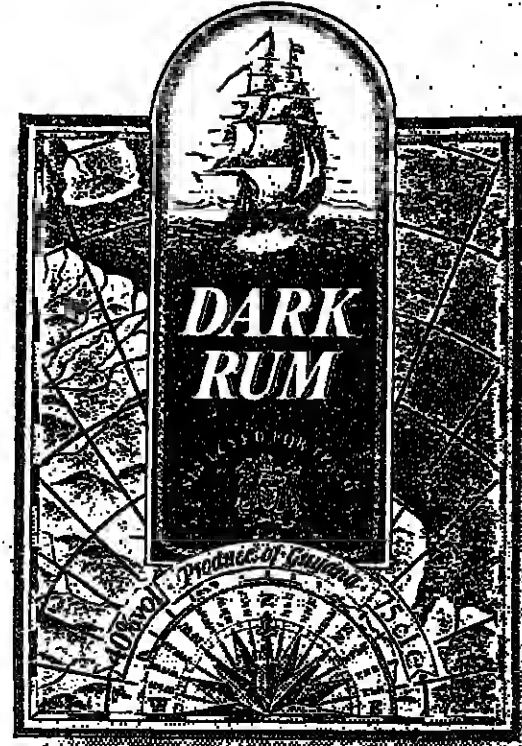
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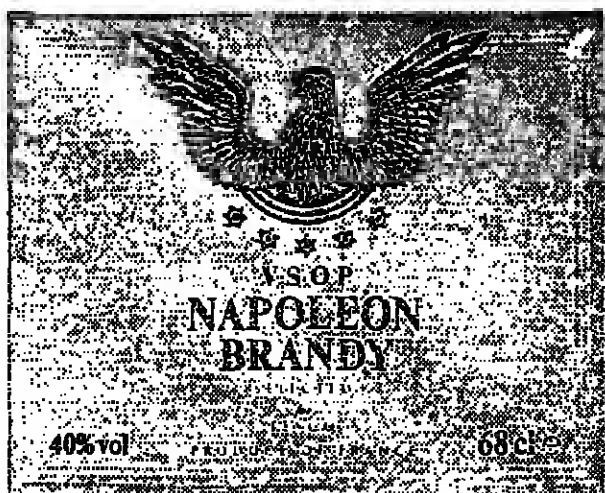
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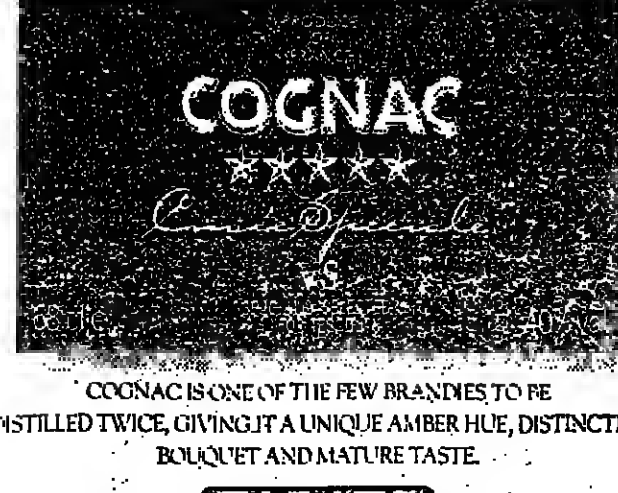
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GUERRILLAS BURN FAMINE FOOD SUPPLIES

By R. BARRY O'BRIEN in Addis Ababa

AID for victims of famine is being threatened by the intensification of guerrilla war by rebels in northern Ethiopia after the Government rejected their offer of a truce.

The United States inter-denominational relief group World Vision International said in Addis Ababa yesterday that two of its lorries and trailers carrying food had been stopped and burned by armed guerrillas at the weekend.

The lorries were destroyed at Kobo 250 miles north of Addis Ababa on the main road to Asmara.

There were also reports yesterday that lorries belonging to the Ethiopian Government Relief and Rehabilitation Commission carrying food and other relief supplies had been shot at on the road from the port of Assab. Unconfirmed reports spoke of six drivers being killed by snipers.

Rebels in the Tigré Province seeking to break away from

the Ethiopian Government have also been active in Wollo province south of Tigré. Wollo includes the big feeding centre for 100,000 famine victims at Korem.

The Front which claims to hold 85 per cent of territory in the famine areas offered a truce last month to ease relief supplies and called for an international commission to supervise relief operations. At a news conference in Addis Ababa last Friday the Ethiopian leader Lt-Col Mengistu rejected the truce offer and said there would be no negotiations with the rebels.

Increased activity

The rejection of a truce has been followed by reports of increased rebel activity. A spokesman for World Vision International said the lorries destroyed and by rebels had Ethiopian drivers and were also carrying Ethiopian relief workers.

"The trucks were stopped. Our people were taken off. The trucks were then driven down the road and set on fire. The supplies were not taken off but were burned with the trucks."

Now, Iraqi commanders have found that this huge troop concentration is being quietly disbanded. The Pasdaran, the Revolutionary Guards (initially loyal to Ayatollah Khomeini), have been sent back to their homes and the regular Iranian forces are being deployed on other parts of the battle front.

Air control

Two regular divisions which had been opposite Basra were used in the last Iranian offensive at Salf Said three weeks ago. Iraqi troops repulsed that attack and inflicted at least 4,000 casualties.

Iraqi commanders now expect similar localised offensives and are relying increasingly on the Iraqi Air Force both to deter troop movements and to attack them if they are found.

The Iraqis said their Air Force was mainly responsible for halting the recent Iranian attack. Western observers say Iraq has total control of the skies and the Iranian Air Force has hardly been seen for months.

After four years of war, both the Iranian and Iraqi Armies now face each other across the international frontier accepted when the conflict began.

Though there is no war fever in Baghdad, diplomats say the Iraqis have developed a dogged acceptance of the situation, which means they will fight on.

Human waves

With new oil pipelines planned to Saudi Arabia, Jordan and Turkey, Iraq appears ready to continue the war indefinitely. Equally, Iraq may be able to maintain a steady pressure, hoping to wear down Iraq by constantly inflicting casualties.

In Baghdad, where some building work has restarted and where the war seems far away, Iraqi leaders take heart from the change in Iranian tactics.

They believe it is a demonstration that the Iranian Army now has more influence, and that the human-wave attacks mounted by young Revolutionary Guards have been abandoned.

Iraqi leaders emphasise they are still ready for peace talks and have offered to discuss all outstanding issues. But all negotiations are impossible, they say, as long as the Iraqis have as their war objective the overthrow of the Iraqi Government.

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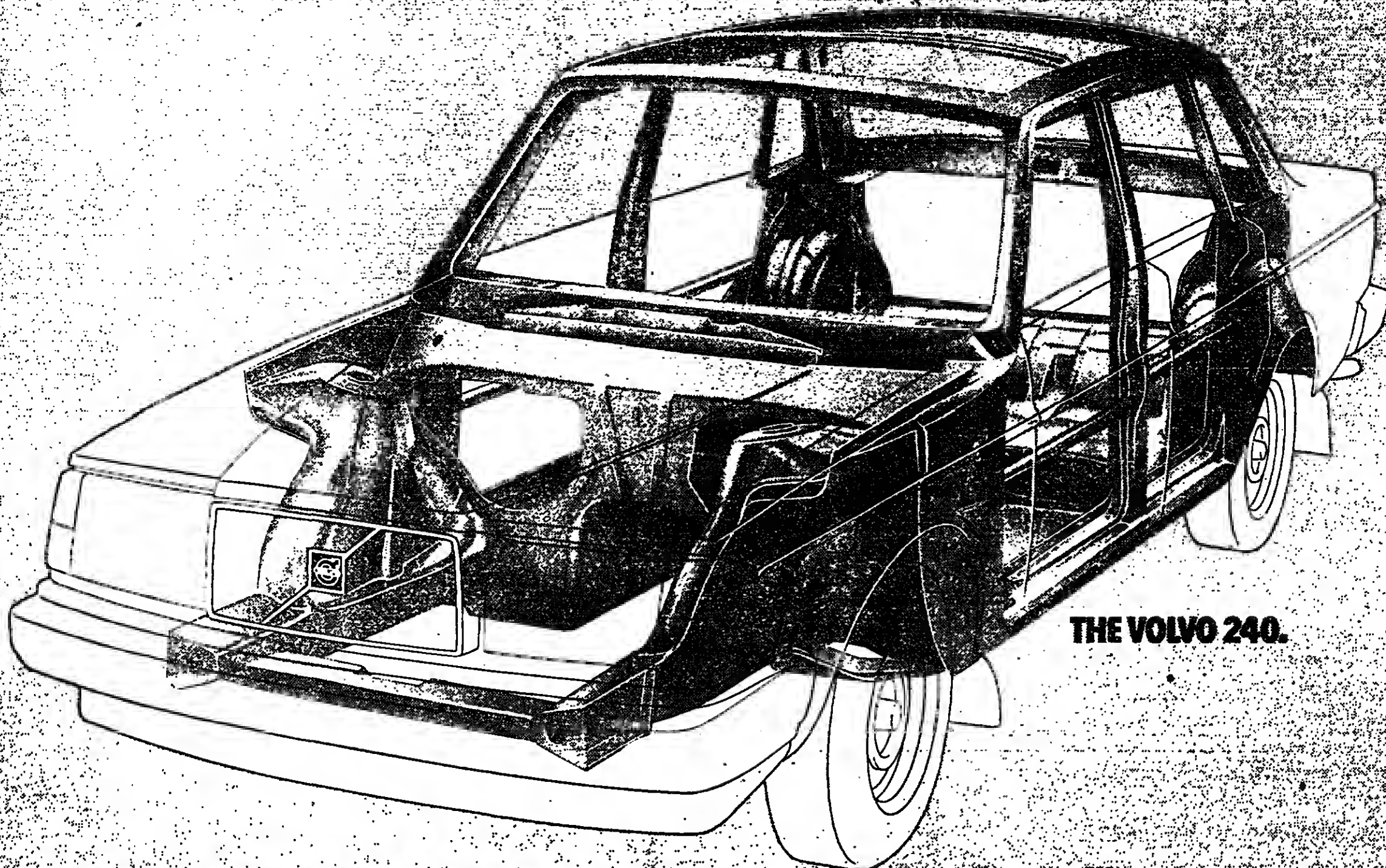
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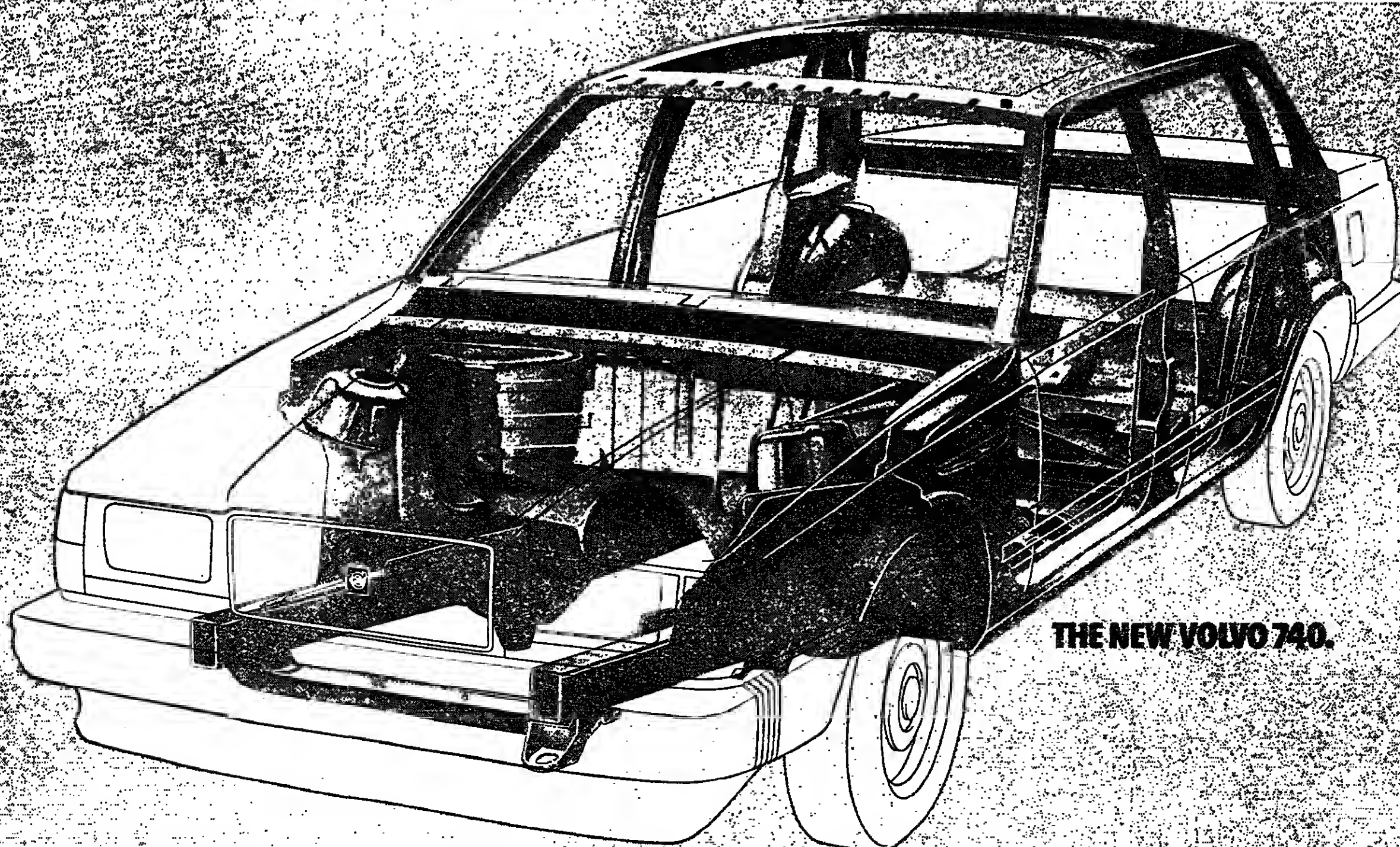
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RIDLEY SEEKS ROAD SCHEMES TO EASE LONDON SNARL-UPS

By JOHN PETTY Transport Correspondent

MR RIDLEY, Transport Secretary, yesterday ordered action to stop London becoming so snarled up with traffic that "there is a flight of jobs, people and prosperity from the capital."

Four key areas will be studied so that the Government can propose road schemes immediately the Greater London Council is abolished in 1986.

Mr Ridley said G.L.C. policy was to let roads deteriorate, spending all the money on fare subsidies to try to make people use public transport.

But seven million people lived within the ring being formed round London by the M25 motorway. That was more than the entire population of many countries and their needs had to be met. An efficient road network was vital.

"Ignoring the problems will not make them go away," Mr Ridley said. "Living conditions and the standard of life in London would only worsen. Action is long overdue."

Not motorways

But it will not mean a motorway programme. Flyovers, underpasses, widening schemes, and some new stretches of road were more likely. London had not had its fair share of national spending on roads in the past 20 years.

the past 20 years. It would get more in the next decade.

Consulting engineers will make the studies. Travers Morean Planning will report on the South Circular from Woolwich to the A5 at Wandsworth. The need for additional roads through South London to the M25 will be researched by Mott Hay & Anderson working with Brian Clouston and Partners.

East London

West London gets a two-part study, one involving Husband & Co. looking at the possibility of decking over a railway line to give Earl's Court a bypass. Advice on general roads in West London, including the rest of the South Circular, will come from Sir William Halcrow and Partners.

The East London survey will look at traffic struggling between the A1 in Islington and the A102 (which times to lead to the Blackwall Tunnel), in Tower Hamlets and Hackney. Ove Arup and Partners, with Lewellyn-Davies Weeks and Davy Lavejoy and Partners, will report.

'End in sight' for Dartford tunnel tolls

By Our Transport Correspondent

SO much traffic is using the twin Dartford tunnels that their debt may soon be wiped out and tolls can be abolished, Mr Ridley, Transport Secretary, said yesterday.

The announcement came as a delegation to his deputy, Mrs. Chalker, Transport Minister, said the tunnels are so heavily used that it is essential to start planning a third tunnel.

The delegation included representatives of the Automobile Association, the National Chamber of Trade, the Confederation of British Industry and the Movement for London. It also included Mr Cyril Townsend, Conservative M.P. for Beccles.

The tunnels form a vital link in the M25 motorway, but the Government refuses to assume responsibility for them. It is contributing £5 million to build an extra dozen toll booths to cope with the rising flow.

The delegation said maximum capacity of the two tunnels was 73,000 vehicles a day without serious delays. One day last August it handled 78,787 vehicles. By 1988 it could be at full capacity.

Even assuming a new bridge across the Thames in East London in 1991, estimates were that 105,000 vehicles a day would want to use the Dartford tunnels by 1995, rising to 141,000 at the end of the century and 173,000 a day five years later, said the delegation.



The former Libyan Embassy in St James's Square making the news again yesterday when fire damaged the lower part of the 18th century building, including the first floor from where the shot was fired which killed Wpc Yvonne Fletcher while she was on duty outside in April.

Right: A flowering cherry tree, planted in memory of Wpc Fletcher by officers of local police stations and the trustees of the square, being prepared in the gardens for its dedication today. The dead policeman's parents will be at the ceremony.

8 new areas in 'Met' shake-up

By JOHN WEEKS Scotland Yard Staff

A MAJOR reorganisation of the Metropolitan Police which creates eight new areas, each with its own "Chief Constable," was announced by Sir Kenneth Newman, the Commissioner, yesterday.

The aim is to make policing more relevant to local needs, to get more policemen on the streets and create faster operational decisions without reference to senior officers at Scotland Yard.

Each of the new areas—there are four at present—will be headed by a Deputy Assistant Commissioner and the changes will take two years to complete.

A much greater say

There will be a cut of 20 in the number of commanders and a similar reduction in chief superintendents. These will be achieved by natural wastage.

Chief superintendents will have a much greater say in policy matters locally. The plan also revamps three central departments: territorial policing, specialist policing, and management services.

Territorial Policing will look after all the business of area and divisions including traffic and CID. Specialist Policing will look after work which crosses area boundaries such as anti-terrorism, fraud, major armed robbery, the import of drugs, special branch and royalty and diplomatic protection.

Management Services, a new branch, will be responsible for reviewing performance and will oversee planning, policy, statistics, public information and complaints investigations. Staff at New Scotland Yard, now about 5,000, will be reduced. But no police stations will close.

Sir Kenneth said: "The plans should bring the top and bottom of the force much closer together and help local policing decisions." The costs would be "neutral."

ILEA ON COURSE FOR CLASH

By JOHN GRIGSBY Local Government Correspondent

THE Labour-controlled Inner London Education Authority yesterday became the first authority in Britain to vote to levy an illegal rate.

ILEA intends to raise its rate next year by 3.9 per cent or 3.1p in the pound to bring the precept to 65.1p.

Though Mrs Frances Morrell, ILEA leader, said the increase would be below the expected rate of inflation, the authority's spending plans would breach the Government's ceiling. Under the Government's Rates Act ratepayers would be under no duty to pay the ILEA precept.

Mr Stephen Bundred, chairman of the authority's finance sub-committee, said it planned to spend £957.4 million next year. The Government's target, formally set by Sir Keith Joseph, Education Secretary, is £900 million.

Budget underspent

The council has this year underspent its budget by £16 million because, said Mr Bundred, of delays in capital programmes.

At £307 million this year's actual spending is near the Government target. Though ILEA has made savings of £5.5 million, these have been offset by £5.7 million worth of the ILEA finance sub-committee was told.

Sir Keith said that the spending of ILEA was out of proportion to that of other education authorities with comparable problems.

8 FOR TRIAL ON SECRETS CHARGES

Eight British servicemen were yesterday committed for trial to the Old Bailey on secrets charges after a four-week hearing at Bow Street, most of it held in camera. Two are charged with passing top-secret information to a foreign agent.

All the offences are alleged to have taken place between 1982 and February this year while the men—three soldiers and five airmen—were working for 9 Signal Regiment at Britain's secret communications base on Cyprus. Five were released on bail and three remained in custody.

The accused are: Scolor, Air-Craftsman Gwynfor Owen, 21, of Beogor, S.A.C. Geoffrey Jones, 20, of Cantspool, S.A.C. Alan Lightowler, 21, of Shropshire, S.A.C. Christopher Payne, 24, of Brighton; Signalman Martin Tuff, 22, of Wallasey, Merseyside; Signalman David Hardman, 26, of Mere Drive, Swinton, Manchester; and Lance-Cpl Anthony Glass, of Gately Road, Stockwell.

NEWS DIRECTOR LEAVES £650,194

By Our Estates Correspondent

Sir Harold Riley Grime, a former editor of his family newspaper, the Blackpool Gazette, and director of the Press Association and Reuters, who died in August aged 88, left £50,194 net (£651,332 gross) in his will published yesterday.

He left £40,000, his home and effects, including his car, to Miss Phyllis Sayer, housekeeper to Sir Harold and Lady Grime for many years. He also left £10,000 to his secretary, Miss Margaret Staley. Latest Wills—P12

DRAWING ON EXPERIENCE

To prove that reports do not have to be dull, Solihull council hired the cartoonist Larry to illustrate their annual one, just issued.

Copies, in which Larry pokes fun at everything from grammar school education to green belt policy, are in great demand. "We are delighted with the result," said the chief executive, Mr John Scampon.

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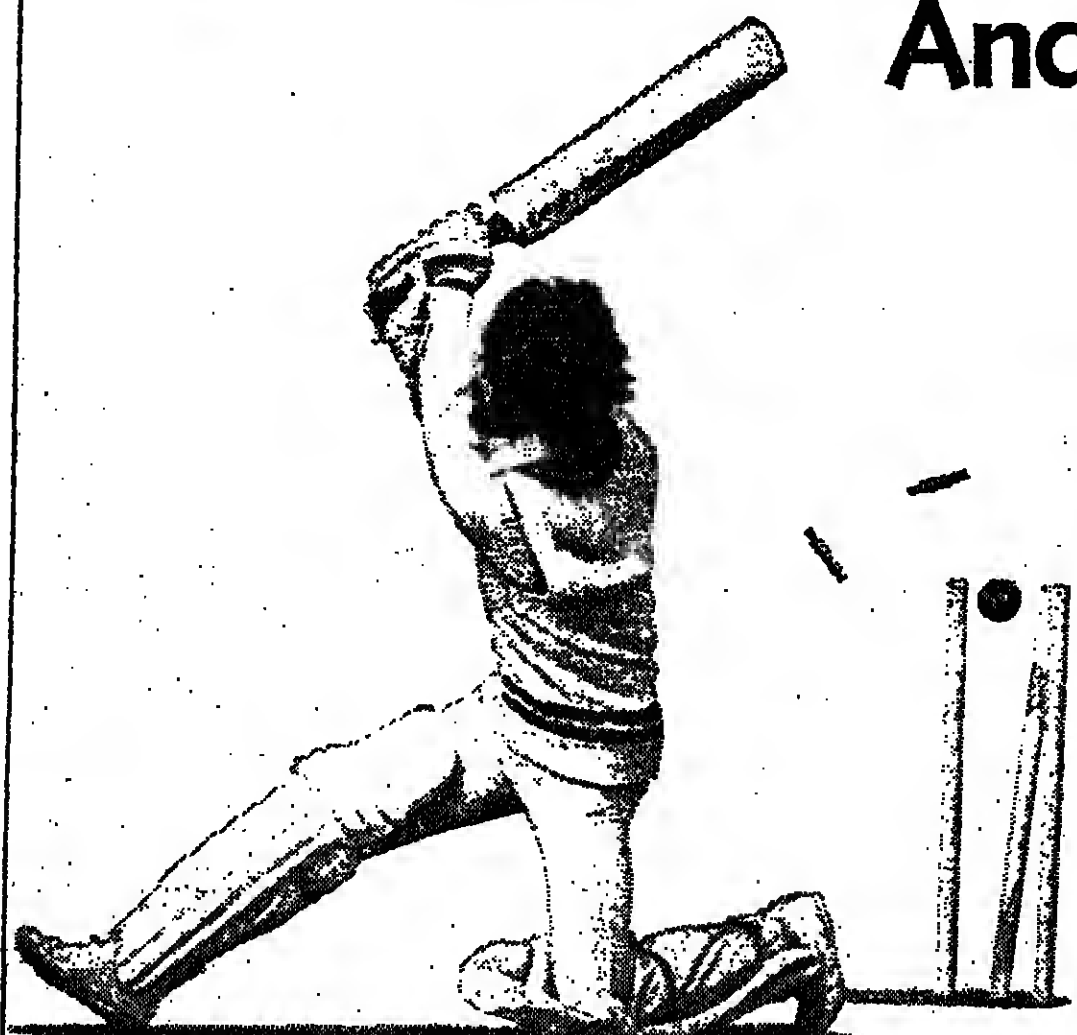
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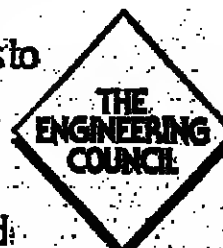


Last year Britain even imported 65% of our sports equipment. How's that?

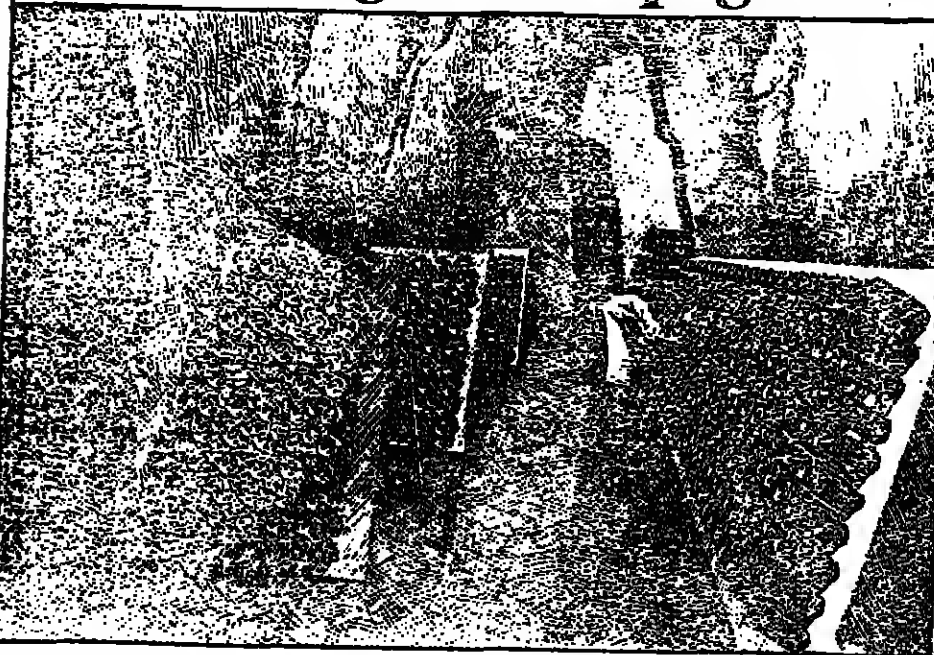
Our ancestors were an inventive bunch. They sparked off the Industrial Revolution, and won us rich markets all over the world. And in their spare time they gave the world cricket, football, golf and tennis. At first we beat all-comers, both in the factory and on the playing field. We took it for granted we always would. But our competitors learned too well. Of course it only hurts our national pride when our cricketers lose to New Zealand. (Never mind Australia, Pakistan

or those brilliant West Indians.) But it hurts our national pocket when our industries lose to Sweden. (Never mind Germany, Japan or the USA.) Last year, for the first time in 200 years we imported more manufactured goods than we exported. This is a critical situation, and The Engineering Council has been formed to help tackle it. We have to ensure that more schoolchildren, girls as well as boys, understand the opportunities that engineering can offer. We have to encourage universities and polytechnics to

give engineering even more priority. We need to impress the City and Parliament alike with the importance of our manufacturing industries, traditional as well as high technology. And to encourage those same industries to invest more in training and competitive product innovation. It's not an easy task. But if we have the will to win, we could once again be a match for anybody.



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WALKER RENEWS ATTACK ON TORY ECONOMIC POLICY

By VALERIE ELLIOTT Political Staff

MR WALKER, Energy Secretary, last night renewed his attack on the Government's economic course and spelled out his belief that there is an alternative.

He renewed his plea to the Government to do more to bring down unemployment. He urged them to expand the economy, invest more in British industry and to overhaul the nation's infrastructure.

Mr Walker aligned himself with the attitudes and policies of Conservative governments under Macmillan. He said Macmillan's "Middle Way" would unite the nation.

Full employment in the 1980s and 1990s could be ensured only if Britain faced up to the challenges of international trade and technological advances, he said. "Today we are able to cushion the harshest economic hardships of the unemployed. But the social waste is still the same, the human debilitation just as bad, the affront to dignity just as tragic as it was in the 1930s."

But the dangers to the nation's social cohesion were now greater and he feared for the future.

Black youngsters

"Some of Britain's blackest unemployment are where the British are black. A generation of black youngsters is growing up, most of whom have never known work. What problems we are storing up for the future."

Referring to the 1944 White Paper on Employment, he advised the Government: "The authors of the 1944 Employment White Paper understood that the key to full employment lay in flexible and growing economy."

This was a clear attack on the Prime Minister, who is

known to carry a copy of the paper in his handbag. She quoted from the paper to the Commons last month. "This Government accept as one of their primary aims and responsibilities the maintenance of a high and stable rate of employment."

Policy keynote

Mr Walker recommending the "Middle Way" recalled the Prime Minister's words: "Moderation should be the keynote of policy, extremes always threaten the family or the individual in one way or another. Too much State control endangers freedom and initiative."

"But a free for all exalts rights over duties and means not to set them against each other with the strictest accept of class war. We aim to balance them so that all can contribute as one nation to the common good."

Mr Walker said: "These, surely, need to remain the aims of our Conservative party."

He also urged the Government to realise another of Macmillan's dreams to create an Athens without slaves. This could materialise with further exploitation of the latest technological advances, and labour-saving machinery.

He said society's traditional objective had been for people



Shipwrecked seaman Chay Blyth, who was rescued off Cape Horn earlier this month, meeting RAF helicopter which Master Air Loadmaster David Allen, who snatched 11 shipwrecked trawlermen to safety in a force nine gale off Scarborough in January. The crew of the Wessex helicopter from 22 Squadron, RAF Leconfield, North Humberside, received Silk Cut commemorative plaques from Mr Macfarlane, Sports Minister, in London yesterday.

PICTURE: PAUL ARMIGER

Campaign aims to win back foreign students

The following is a summary of news items that did not appear in yesterday's southern editions of THE DAILY TELEGRAPH, which were affected by industrial action:

By DAVID ADAMSON Diplomatic Correspondent

THE British Council, backed by 70 education institutions, has launched a scheme to reverse the decline in foreign students which began after the introduction of full-cost fees in 1978-80.

It will begin in Malaysia, Hongkong and Singapore, where small units have already been set up to promote British higher education.

The numbers of students from Malaysia and Hongkong are still higher than those from other countries, but the Asian proportion of the total has been shrinking. Recently it has fallen below 50 per cent for the first time.

Figures produced by the British Council show that in 1982-83 there were 85,891 full-time foreign students in Britain. This was 20,000 fewer than in the previous year and 40,000 less than in 1979-80.

The decline is now beginning to bottom out.

Fall in the Pound

The fall in the value of sterling has made British education more attractive, and there have been small increases in the numbers of students from Western European countries.

However, students from Malaysia, whose relations with Britain were damaged by bitterness over the ending of subsidies for foreign students, and other Third World countries have gone elsewhere in increasing numbers.

The number of Malaysian students in Canada for instance, is said to have risen from 400 to 8,000 since 1980. The 70 institutions which are backing the British Council scheme are subsidising £5,000 each to the cost.

Cancer victim's plight ignored by council

The Local Government Officers' Association strongly criticised Hackney Council for letting an unmarried mother, illiterate, cancer victim and terrified of the dark, remain without light and heat for three years, after her power was cut off for non-payment.

Dr David Yardley, upheld a complaint of serious maladministration, causing injustice, against the council whose social workers ignored the woman's plight. His report said: "Doctors had to treat her by candle light when they visited her at home."

'Back door' EEC

A levy on video recorders and blank video tapes may "soak in through the back door" this week, according to the Consumers in the European Community group, representing organisations concerned about the effects of EEC policies on British consumers.

The levy plan is due to be discussed by Community culture ministers at a meeting in Brussels tomorrow. The Department of Trade is drafting its own discussion document on a possible blank tape levy.

Last dates for Christmas mail

The latest recommended posting date for Christmas cards, letters and parcels by surface mail to most of Europe and the Falklands is Friday.

The last date for surface mail to France is Monday. Airmail cards and letters should be sent to RAF Forces in the South Atlantic by Dec. 14.

Overwhelming case for Stansted growth

The case for developing Stansted as London's third airport is overwhelming, the British Airports Authority has told

Mr Norman Payne, the authority's chairman, said taking into account maximum growth at regional airports, there would still be a capacity shortfall of about 15 million passengers per year at London's airports in the 1990s. The Stansted public inquiry report is due at the end of the month.

Civil Servant on bribery charge

A former economic adviser to the Treasury was remanded on unconditional bail until Dec. 17 by Bow Street magistrates after being charged under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1906. He is Leonard Judah Rittenberg, 62.

Keneth Charles Hawkins, of Chinnor, Oxfordshire, a former Home Office principal technical officer in the Prisons Department, is alleged to have taken a £2,000 bribe from Rittenberg. He was also granted unconditional bail to appear again on the same date.

Politicians 'threat to free speech'

Lord Bernstein, president of the Graudia Group, said New York that freedom of expression in Britain was threatened by "the frequent desires of someone or other, usually a politician, to stop us saying something which might be thought to be in the public interest."

Conservationist fined £200 for cruelty

A conservationist was fined £200 by magistrates at Weston-super-Mare for causing unnecessary suffering to an otter he kept in the basement of his wildlife education centre.

David Chaffe, 43, of Trinity Road, Weston, was also fined £500 for illegally possessing a merlin, a protected wild bird.

National Bus chief

Mr Robert Brink, currently chief executive of National Bus, has been appointed as the group's chairman by Mr Ridley, Transport Secretary.

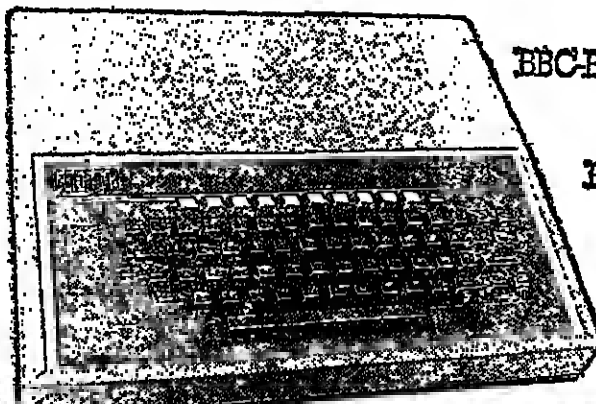
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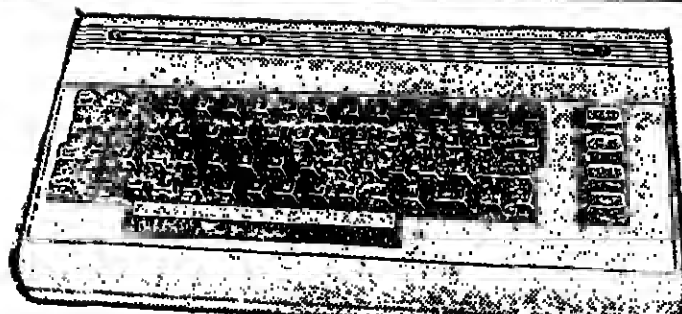


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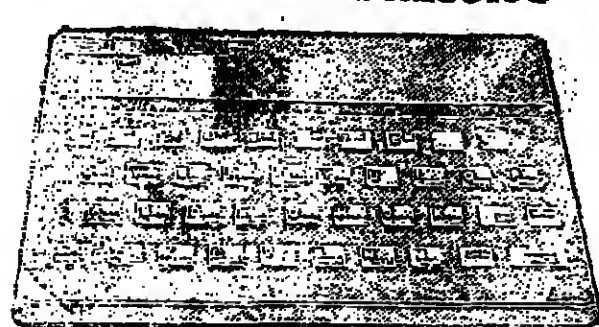


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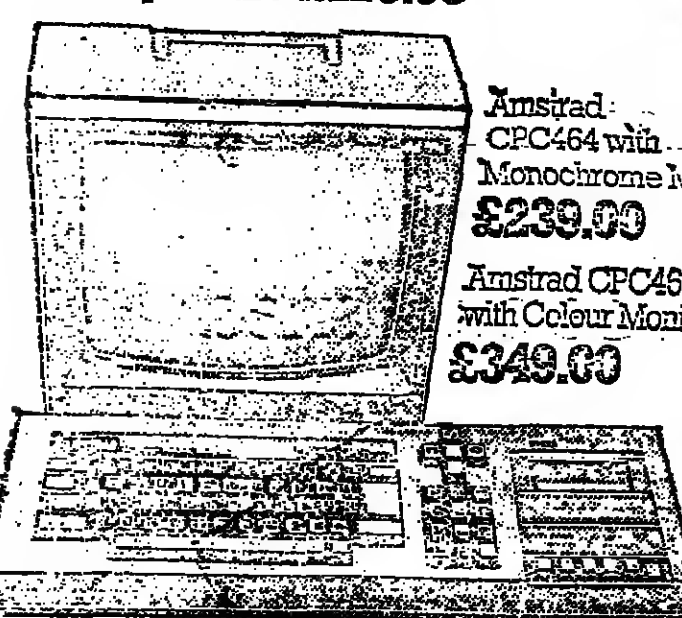


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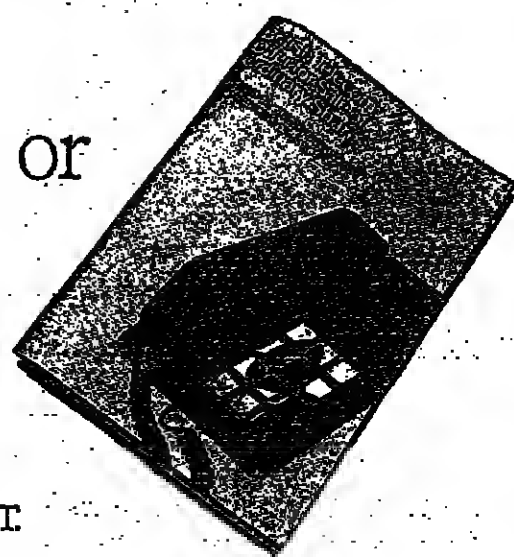
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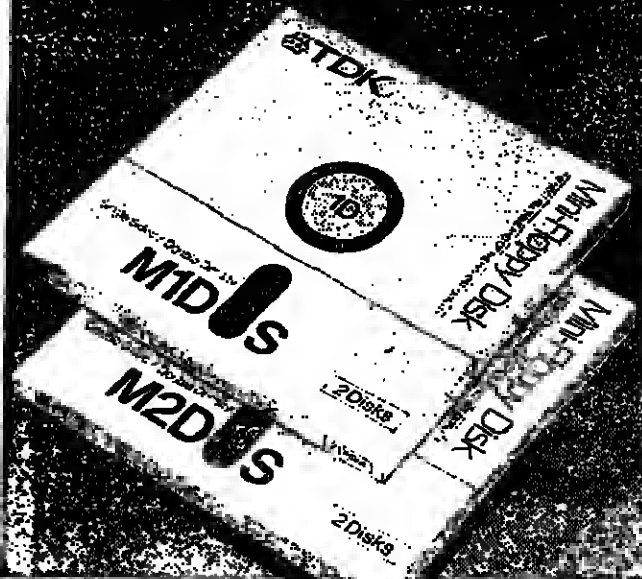
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TWO OUT OF THREE UNIONS AGREE TO END DHSS STRIKE

By STEPHEN WARD Industrial Staff

TWO of the three unions involved in the six-month DHSS computer staff strike have agreed to a peace settlement and a return to work next week.

The leadership of the third and largest union, the Civil and Public Services' Association, is in disarray and unable at present to shore up the strike with support from elsewhere in the country.

The settlement accepted by the Civil Service Union and the Society of Civil and Public Servants includes guarantees that no employee will suffer a pay cut as a result of changes in shift patterns which led to the strike.

This pledge lasts for at least two years. The unions have also been promised that there will be no victimisation of union activists by transferring them to different jobs.

The changes in shift patterns are designed to save £700,000 a year. Ninety workers have defied the strike.

The strike, which began in May, involves 360 staff at the DHSS's computer centres in Newcastle upon Tyne and Washington, both in Tyne and Wear. Between them they handle seven million pensioners, including 500,000 Britons overseas, and child benefit for a further seven million people.

Emergency methods of payment by manual means have meant that the most damaging effects of the strike have been avoided, but the DHSS said yesterday that these arrangements had cost an extra £50 million-£40 million so far.

The department has undertaken an extended advertising

campaign to tell people how to claim.

The overseas pensioners have been the hardest group to reach, but the DHSS said between 75 and 80 per cent had written to the department in Newcastle to arrange payment.

The Civil Service Union and the Society of Civil and Public Servants, which have accepted the package represent between them 60 members at the two computer centres. There will be a return to work after meetings of the members have approved the formula agreed by negotiators.

The CPSA leadership has been unable to agree any way to support the strikers, and has passed the decision down to its branches.

A fortnight ago Mr Alistair Graham, the moderate general secretary, and Mr Geoff Leutas, assistant secretary for the DHSS members, recommended acceptance of the package, but this was overturned by local officials and the Left-dominated national executive who wanted to step up the strike.

All members in the DHSS and Department of Employment will now be asked to vote at branch meetings whether they support the strikers, and whether they would be prepared to strike.

The executive will meet again early next month to consider the results of branch votes.

Whitehall forces up water rate

By JOHN GRIGSBY Local Government Correspondent

WATER rates in London and the Thames Valley are likely to rise by nine to 10 per cent in April — three times as much as the Thames Water Authority planned.

Mr Roy Watts, chairman of the authority, yesterday blamed the Government for speeding up, without notice, repayment of its loans. Instead of having to pay back £1.5 billion over eight years, Thames must now do so over 2.5 years.

Mr Watts said: "I don't take kindly to a situation where we have to generate unnecessary income from price increases. From the strictly Thames Water point of view this is simply not required."

He said members of the authority will see Mr Gow, the Minister for Housing and Construction, to complain.

Mains repairs

Earlier this month, the Government said that water rates would have to rise rather faster than inflation to enable the water authorities to repair worn-out mains and sewers.

But, unlike the other authorities, Thames finances its capital programme from its charges, and is self-financing.

Mr Watts, a former chief executive of British Airways, has instituted an economy drive in the authority, shedding 1,000 jobs and selling surplus property.

His complaint is that the benefits of this will not now accrue to the authority's 11 million customers, but be "passed back into the general pot to help other authorities."

"To some extent we are becoming tax gatherers," he said.

ALLIANCE PLAN TACTICS

By Our Political Staff DR OWEN and Mr Steel

yesterday relaunched the SDP-Liberal alliance as "a lasting partnership" and vowed to adopt a joint political strategy to win power at the General Election.

The two leaders help a long meeting in Westminster to decide the tactics of a concerted defence, joint selection of candidates and allocation of party seats appeared to have been hurried for the moment. The two parties and their leaders are aiming to take full advantage of the opinion polls which continue to show a decline in popularity for the Labour Party.

Both parties have returned to Westminster this session extremely confident, relations between them have improved and any problems which were anticipated at the Party's separate conferences have not.

The two leaders in their statement yesterday stressed that they were "equals" in a partnership and pledged to respect each other's different historical evolution, constitutions and independent rights over policy formation.

Joint office

On their differences, they said: "Our alliance does not necessitate agreement on every detail of policy or tactics, but it does involve making a conscious effort to seek out agreement so as to ensure there is a spirit of understanding and mutual respect for the other's viewpoint."

They also spoke of the need to dispel rivalry and competition between the parties. To this end both leaders have decided to set up a joint office, possibly early in 1985, and also have decided to appear together more frequently on television.

15 shop stewards' jobs to go in Tilbury shake-up

By CHARLES LAURENCE

THE Port of London Authority is to cut the number of full-time shop stewards at Tilbury Docks from 17 to two after this summer's strikes which threatened to shut what remains of London Docks for good.

Tilbury has one full-time shop steward for every 100 of its 1,700-strong workforce, all members of the Transport and General Workers' Union.

The disproportion is a survival from ten years ago when 11,500 dockers clocked on at Tilbury.

Under proposals being discussed with union officials there would be only two full-time shop stewards. A further eight would be recognised by the authority but would also have to work as dockers.

Recognition of the remaining seven shop stewards' posts is to be withdrawn.

Implementation is likely to be left until the end of next year, so that the 17 shop stewards can complete their term of office.

Mr Peter Hargrave, TGU's divisional officer at Tilbury, said: "When we came back from the last strike, the authority was looking at a viability situation and they thought they would request the number of shop stewards be reduced."

We are having talks at the moment; if they tried to implement the cuts without agreement there would be a confrontation but we are a long way from that.

The four weeks of strikes this summer in support of the dockers threatened to drive away the docks' remaining business to less militant ports.

A port authority spokesman at Tilbury was anxious to stress that the cuts were not designed as "revenge" for the strikes.

FEWER FROM STATE AT OXBRIDGE

By SARAH THOMPSON Education Staff

EFFORTS by Oxford and Cambridge universities to attract more State school pupils have failed to make an impact on applications for places.

A spokesman for Cambridge's applications office disclosed yesterday that the percentage of applications from State schools has dropped this year from 48 to 45.

At the same time, the independent sector's share of applicants and of places has risen to 55 per cent over 1983 figures.

This rise is attributed to Oxford's recent scrapping of the seventh-term entry examination, which has forced private schools to re-plan their Oxbridge strategy.

Flexible system

The Oxford change was planned to make applications easier for State school pupils. But last month fewer State school candidates applied than in 1983.

Cambridge has a flexible entry system which allows candidates to avoid the entrance examination. For some years there has been a steady upward trend in State school applications, making this year's reverse unaccountable.

DEATHS, IN MEMORIAM

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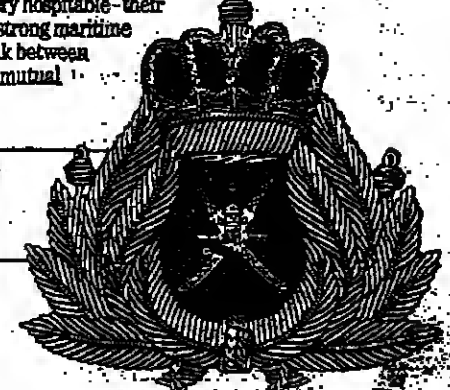
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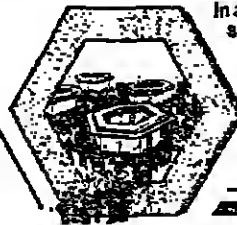
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Yesterday in Parliament

LOSS OF 30,000 JOBS BLAMED ON SCARGILL

By WILLIAM WEEKES Parliamentary Staff

THE "intransigence" of Mr Scargill, the miners' president, was to blame for the loss of 30,000 jobs in other industries connected with mining, Mr KING, Employment Secretary, said yesterday.

He told the Commons that 10,000 people in ancillary industries had lost their jobs because of the strike, and another 20,000 in associated industries.

The unattractive feature about the miners' leadership was that, while its members' jobs were assured, it was endangering the jobs of many in other industries.

Vandals who caused damage estimated at £250,000 to the Coal Board National Exploration Unit at Denaby, South Yorkshire, were condemned roundly by Mrs THATCHER.

The Prime Minister described their actions as an attempt to destroy other people's jobs by ruining their equipment and the possibility of doing important geological research.

More damage

Mr IAN LLOYD (C., Havant), who raised the matter, said the incident had probably done more damage to employment prospects in the industry than any other action.

He demanded to know what steps were being taken to make sure that "Mr Scargill's Visigoths" were not allowed to encourage or continue this sort of behaviour.

Mrs Thatcher told him the matter would be pursued by the police, and she hoped those responsible would be brought before the courts.

Mr JOHN PRESCOTT, Labour's new Employment spokesman, asked Mr King for an estimate of unemployment in October next year.

He said the Employment Secretary had presided over an increase in jobless figures of more than 3,000 a week during his 12 months in office.

But Mr KING retorted: "Instead of giving unequivocal support as you chose to do from one platform to the miners' dispute, I hope you would observe some of the caniness of your leader and get an end to the dispute and we might then see the prospects of more jobs."

Responding to Conservative backbenchers, Mr King welcomed



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Warning to EEC over milk quotas

By Our Parliamentary Staff

BRITAIN was not going to be in the position of obeying the rules on Common Market milk quotas while other EEC countries did not, Mrs THATCHER told the Commons yesterday.

Mr Jopling, Agriculture Minister, had made it clear in the EEC Commission that either all the member states collected the super-leve or none of them collected it.

The Prime Minister was replying to Mr NEIL HAMILTON (C., Taitoo), who complained that France had failed to meet its deadline for collecting the levy on the over-production of milk and Italy had made no progress at all towards implementing a quota scheme.

"This indicates that in those countries there is little desire to undertake economies in the Common Agriculture Policy and therefore there is no case for increasing our own resources," Mr Hamilton said.

RISE IN WEALTH OF TOP 25 pc

By Our Parliamentary Staff

The estimated wealth of the top 25 per cent. of the adult population rose from 77 per cent. to 81 per cent. of Britain's marketable wealth between 1979 and 1982, the Earl of GOWRIE, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, said in the Lords yesterday.

Lord HATCH (Lab.) said that 75 per cent. of the population would consider the answer "particularly cynical."

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THATCHER SIDESTEPS LOG ISSUE

THE Prime Minister resisted a call to provide details yesterday of what records of signals to and from the Conqueror, the submarine which sank the Argentine cruiser General Belgrano, were kept or destroyed.

She said she wished "to check precisely before giving a specific reply."

The oversight row over the Government disclosure the day before that the Conqueror's signals had been destroyed was raised in the Commons by Mr TAM DALYELL (Lab., Liothgow), the most persistent critic of Government policy in the Falklands conflict.

He asked Mrs Thatcher at Question Time whether "all the signals to and from HMS Conqueror have been retained other than those that were in the missing log book."

Rescue of survivors

After deferring her answer on the signals Mrs Thatcher denied that the Conqueror was under orders to return to the scene of the Belgrano sinking following the May 2, 1982, attack.

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Fears that new town assets will be 'sold off cheap'

By PETER PRYKE, Parliamentary Correspondent

GOVERNMENT plans for winding-up the new towns programme were deliberately setting up a buyers' market in which public assets would be sold off cheap, Mr JEFF ROOKER, Shadow Housing Minister, said in the Commons last night.



Mr GOW: Introducing the magic of the market place.

The New Towns and Urban Development Corporations Bill provides for the conversion of the New Towns Commission into an agency for disposing of assets.

"Criticism of the rush to sell assets, Mr Rooker also complained that the Bill could lead to changing the new towns into 'company towns'."

"At Redditch, the decision to sell by way of one job lot meant that one third of the land would pass into the hands of a private owner."

"Clearance warehouse"

"The Commission is being turned into a clearance warehouse moving from town to town, piling assets high, selling them cheap, where the buyer is told 'everything must go'."

Mr Rooker said: "The Bill does not tell us how 32 new towns can be prevented from becoming company towns."

Mr IAN GOW, Minister for Housing and Construction, moving second reading, said that once new towns had reached substantial completion they should have a thriving property market.

"This will introduce the magic of the market place," Mr Rooker said that in a statutory buyers' market the market concept was meaningless.

"There can be no magic of the

gress of the development corporations and indicated that nearly all of them would be ready for winding up by the end of the decade.

Mr Gow said the Bill made it clear that the Commission's primary task was to disengage from its role as commercial and industrial landlord. It had to have due regard to the welfare of the town and to financial prudence.

"No forced sales"

"There will be no forced sales, no disposal will take place contrary to the best professional advice."

The Bill also raises from £400 million to £600 million the limit on grants and loans for the two urban development corporations for Merseyside and London docklands.

Describing their progress as "good value for the taxpayer," Mr Gow said that in London docklands commitments by the private sector for investment in the enterprise zone totalled more than £140 million.

The projects included factories and offices, TV studios, new headquarters for an international communications and media group, and the conversion of a building into new printing works for The Daily Telegraph.

For the corporations which were shortly to be wound up, and for the Commission, there would be power to suspend sufficient of their debt to enable them to break even.

Reviewing the new towns programme since its inception in 1946, he said that on the whole it had been a success story. They provided homes for two million people, of a high standard with few exceptions.

He gave details of the pro-

CALL TO 'ORDAIN' GUMMER

By Our Parliamentary Staff

MR STEEL, Liberal MP, leader, told the Prime Minister yesterday that she should make her party chairman, Mr John Selwyn Gummer, a bishop and bring some of the bishops into the Cabinet.

He spoke of Mr Gummer's "extraordinary outburst" from the pulpit last Sunday when the Conservative chairman answered criticism from some of the bishops of Government economic policy.

Mrs THATCHER said: "I do not myself tangle with bishops."

In a reference to the Earl of Stockton, formerly Mr Harold Macmillan, she added: "I leave that to very distinguished ex-Prime Ministers, one of whom, in a maiden speech in the Lords a few days ago, said episcopal and archiepiscopal plunges into economics are very often eccentric, even capricious."

LORDS TO STUDY 629-PAGE BILL

Peers gave a second reading yesterday to the Companies Bill, which consolidates provisions in 13 Acts of Parliament dating back to the Act of 1948, which was the last one to consolidate company law.

The 629-page Bill was sent to a specialist Lords committee for detailed study.

Thatcher seeks more Ulster co-operation

By ANTHONY LOOCH

NORTHERN IRELAND was a part of the United Kingdom and would remain so unless a majority in the province wished otherwise, the Prime Minister told the Commons yesterday after she had made a statement on this week's Anglo-Irish summit.

Mrs THATCHER said: "It would be totally and utterly wrong if we were to be bombed into doing something we would not otherwise have done."

Rejecting calls by some Labour backbenchers for the reunification of Ireland, she said guarantees to Northern Ireland on the union with Britain had been enshrined in legislation passed by the Commons.

"It is what gives confidence to the majority in Northern Ireland," she added. "On that basis I hope we could enter into talks which fully respect the rights of minorities there."

"What we are asking for is more co-operation between the political parties, to see if they can reach something more acceptable to both."

Violence 'rejected'

In her statement, Mrs Thatcher said she had reaffirmed to Dr Fitzgerald, the Irish Prime Minister, that Northern Ireland was part of the United Kingdom, and would remain so unless the majority in Northern Ireland wished otherwise.

Dr Fitzgerald, in turn, had reaffirmed the Irish aspiration to a United Ireland, but had accepted that any such constitutional change for Northern Ireland could come about only with the consent of the majority there.

Both leaders had agreed that any attempt to promote political objectives by means of violence or by threat of violence had to be rejected.

They also accepted that the identities of both the majority and minority communities in Northern Ireland should be recognised and respected, and reflected in the structures and processes there in ways acceptable to both communities.

Mr KINNOCK, Opposition leader, welcomed the fact that the two leaders would be meeting again early in the New Year, and he endorsed their categorical rejection of violence.

He criticised the fact that the meeting had not produced more tangible results, however, and asked whether Mrs Thatcher was content with the status quo in Northern Ireland and all the misery, cost and dangers that this entailed.

Her dismissal report had caused genuine and widespread concern among responsible bodies in Ireland, including the Irish government.

"It is essential to encourage

those who work for change by democratic means in Northern Ireland, so that they are strengthened and the forces of terror are weakened and defeated."

Mrs THATCHER replied that it was easy to recognise the problems of Northern Ireland, but very difficult to get the necessary agreement for a political framework acceptable to all sections of the community there.

She added that Britain had received excellent co-operation from Dr Fitzgerald in trying to improve security.

Sovereignty claim

Sir JOHN BIGGS-DAVISON (C., Epping Forest) asked her to press the Republic to abandon its claim to the sovereignty of Northern Ireland.

Mrs THATCHER replied that the Unionist in the north, who were the majority there, felt strongly about the claim, but what to do about it was a matter for Dr Fitzgerald.

Mr JAMES MOLYNEUX, leader of the Official Unionist party, congratulated the Prime Minister on "Taking her Government off the treadmill of initiatives which, in the past, have been the cause of so much turmoil."

He asked: "Will you think of phasing out summits of this kind, which add to the instability?"

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Dare-devil Michael, breaking records, not bones

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MICHAEL CRAWFORD likens his acrobatic title-role in "Barnum" to a death-lo: after two hours of tightrope walking, somersaulting and juggling all at a calorie-guzzling tempo, he has to dash up to the top of the theatre in 12 seconds flat and slide 80ft down a rope on to the stage for a punishing finale.

He gulps down two litres of mineral water during each performance just to replace what he sweats out. "You can wring water out of my socks and trousers. I'm sure Daley Thompson himself would have respect for it," Michael said, incredibly defying fatigue and still bubbling enthusiastically after two performances that day.

But it is the Crawford stamina, dedication and sheer hard work which have made "Barnum" a record-breaking success.

It was the longest-running musical at the Palladium and prior to its current sell-out run in Manchester it was the first provincial show to get £1 million in advance bookings. The show makes a comeback in London in March when it opens at the Victoria Palace Theatre.

"Never turn your back on success," Michael quoted actress Evelyn Laye when I asked him why he signed up for a second London run.

The musical is based on legendary American showman and circus entrepreneur Phineas Taylor Barnum, and Michael first saw it on Broadway.

He then read seven books about the man and made considerable changes which the original American authors were a bit difficult about until he got a live-minute standing ovation at the first preview. "Michael, you can do anything you like," they told him.

He trained with a New York circus school to

if I didn't have such big feet."

Arduous training and demanding parts are the norm for Michael. Practising for "Hello, Dolly" he almost wore out the kitchen floor. In "Billy" he tap-danced his way through 3,000 miles and for the movie "The Games" he ran and ran until he could do a mile in four minutes 20 seconds. Pounding along, though, had its mishaps.

Gabrielle, Michael's wife at the time, with whom he

for tickets. "They are the most hospitable people in Manchester I've ever met anywhere," Michael said, describing the locals' warm reception. He has been generous in return. When his fan mail included a letter about a 13-year-old girl who was dying of cancer he was down at the hospital instantly.

He had the seats removed in the circle so that Vanessa could see the show and she became a regular visitor. She has since died but Michael's support for the Bone Marrow Appeal Research Fund has meant

that instead of selling 5,000 Christmas cards it has sold 47,000, 2,000 of them at the theatre.

People, causes, parts and games: he doesn't do anything by halves. When playing in "Black Comedy" in New York he took up Monopoly and became a buff.

He would probably still be playing but for the fact that one or two Crawford take liberties with the rules, he claims. "It's Gabrielle and Emma—they cheat. Suddenly four hotels appear somewhere and you know there were no hotels there at all; it was a slum area two turns before," he complained, his eyes widening to full Frank Spencer "Some Mothers do 'Ave Em' diameter."

I waited for the characteristic leg shake which he copied off his other daughter, Lucy, when she was little. It would have been justified on his stage exertions alone.



The ebullient Michael Crawford, currently up to all kinds of exhausting, acrobatic tricks in the smash-hit musical "Barnum." Far from longing for a rest he is looking forward to the show returning to London next March. "Never turn your back on success," he said.

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Or, on her working scenes: "The Harpers paid me eighteen thousand dollars a year for twenty-eight years for working at Harper's Bazaar... They were never known for their largesse. That's why I finally left."

A read with Mrs Vreeland is like a day out with your dazzling worldly aunt. It's one tale after another. A lovely tale of a top Italian society photographer, begged by a Milanese family to photograph their children. "I've got to be totally and completely alone with them." Parents insisted that at least the governess must be in the studio, then they went out for the day, returned to studio from the studio. "All the children were sitting on the floor eating huge bowls... of ice-cream. And the governess was completely used on the sofa being photographed."

Mrs Vreeland lives life large—still. Colour is her passion. One perceptive chapter plunges into its ounces. "There's never been a blue like the Duke of Windsor's eyes... The Eskimos, I'm told, have seventeen different words for shades of white."

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Serena Sinclair



● Hugo silk, kimono in cream, with patch pockets and long notched revers, matching pyjama trousers worn over white silk crêpe-de-chino blouse, shorts with matching, short, top fastened with shoulder suspenders, by final-year student Sarah Davies.

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PAUL ARMIGER

Lingerie's new looks

THE fashion trade tomorrow will have a preview of what could be a revolution in lingerie design.

Silk is traditionally the most luxurious lingerie and loungewear fabric and, because of the high prices involved, styles have tended to the classic.

But the European Commission for the Promotion of Silk has asked top designers and bright young students for new ideas on how lingerie should look in 1985, and the results will be on show tomorrow. Unrestrained by the needs of commercial markets, they have given full rein to their creativity, and the Commission

hopes that, though these actual designs will not be available in the shops, they will provide a sound basis of commercial inspiration.

Top design names showing include some already famous for their Hogerie such as Janet Reger, Lucy Jones and Charles Graham, and designers from other fields are turning their hands to this fashion aspect for the first time, including Roland Klein, Janice Wainwright, Bill Gibb and Murray Arbeid. Even milliner David Shilling is exhibiting.

But some of the most interesting and forward-looking ideas come from 14 students of the Royal College of Art. There are two distinct strands of thought: simple, almost masculine shapes based on a loose kimono or smoking jacket, and intricate mixes of silk and lace in pale shades and with a nostalgic feel.

The students' individuality shows in their details, colour schemes and the way they use traditional lingerie fabrics. A huge, man-styled dressing-gown and pyjamas is worked in bold white and black spots and stripes; glossy black satin is mixed with fragile white, cream or tea-coloured crêpe-de-chino.

Lace is used unusually—as insets and a flying panel on a big, bold kimono, as a curved basque on a sarong-style petticoat. Wit appears too—little suspenders replace the traditional shoulder strap adjuster on a camisole top.



Cream silk satin kimono with lace insets and hip-sash that leaves a flying lace panel at the back, over short lace singlet and satin French knickers with lace insets, by final-year student Miriam Zunsu.

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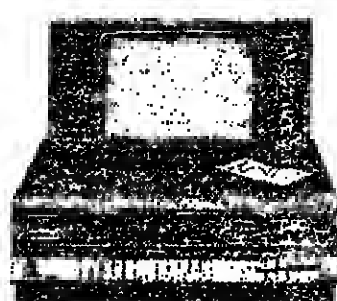
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NO BLARNEY AT CHEQUERS

IT IS POSSIBLE that last Monday's Anglo-Irish summit meant nothing at all, that Dr FitzGerald was sent empty away and that Mrs Thatcher was given a further reprieve from the painful duty of thinking about Ulster. It is just conceivable, on the other hand, that the bland communiqué issued at the end of the discussions concealed a dire plot for the betrayal of the Unionist cause under the guise of defending it, and that view, of course, will appeal to suspicious unionists and to other unionists who feel it prudent to appear no less suspicious than their fellows. But it is overwhelmingly probable that the matter is exactly as it appears on the surface, i.e. that this was the first genuinely frank and realistic exchange of views between the two governments, and that its principal result was a clear definition by the British Government of the limits within which its Northern Irish policy can be conducted.

If so, officials in London and Dublin will now set to work on devising methods of increasing co-operation between the two governments, particularly in relation to security, which do not involve any diminution of Britain's undivided responsibility for the control of Ulster's affairs. In other words, the co-operation will be strictly inter-governmental, save for the possible addition (if the southern Irish still want it) of some sort of consultative, parliamentary get-together at regular intervals. Assuming that Dr FitzGerald has accepted these limits, he is a bold and realistic man; but most of the congratulations must go to Mrs Thatcher and Mr Hume for being almost the first British statesmen in the past 50 years to address the Irish with candour and truthfulness.

This euphoria must be tempered by one reservation if the Government, in its pursuit of a political settlement in the North, is still thinking in terms of a devolved legislature based on power sharing, it is almost ludicrously misguided. The only hope is the establishment of some sort of representative institution in Northern Ireland at local government level: into this system power-sharing arrangements could be built. Mr Hume should show the same realism about Ulster's internal affairs as he has shown about the "Irish dimension."

MR RIDLEY'S VICTORY

THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT has been widely criticised for blocking cut-price transatlantic fare offers by the major airlines in pursuit of a campaign to secure the abandonment of anti-trust proceedings against British Airways in the United States Courts. Criticised, not least, in this newspaper, which described this campaign on Monday as "half-baked" and "doomed". The Ministry has the last laugh, since it turns out to have been neither: in a remarkable exercise of the Presidential prerogative, Mr Reagan has ordered the United States Justice Department to "desist" in the nation's best foreign policy interests. Game, set, and match to the Ministry of Transport—or almost. The liquidators of Laker Airways are still at liberty to pursue their civil actions in the United States Courts against BA and the other major airlines whom they accuse of collusion to destroy a price-cutting competitor, although the President's intervention will not have enhanced their prospects of obtaining a favourable verdict.

During the period of the first Reagan Administration the American Government and Courts repeatedly displayed an ambition to extend the reach of United States domestic legislation beyond their native jurisdiction. Much harm has been done to transatlantic relationships by these pretensions to legal imperialism, and if our Ministry of Transport has persuaded the White House to call a halt it deserves the gratitude of all concerned with the health of the Western Alliance.

It behoves the Minister of Transport, in his hour of triumph, to reassert his strategy. Laker in his time, sought to practise what Mr Ridley preaches, as does Virgin Airways today: a range of choices for consumers. The extension of United States federal jurisdiction over fare structures chosen by United Kingdom airline operators was objectionable over and above the point of principle—because it set at risk the freedom to compete. But United Kingdom cut-price airline operators ought to have access to legal redress against "predatory pricing" by competitors endowed with exclusive rights to scheduled routes.

SLENDER COUNSEL

THE PROBLEM WITH Mr PETER WALKER'S Macmillan lecture lies with the content. There is not very much of it. His lecture was full of generalities, all bubbling and evanescent. He regrets the high level of unemployment. So, as a matter of fact, do the most rigorous of Mrs Thatcher's Ministers. But for Mr Walker to achieve something he must be specific, he must say what he would do and what he would spend. Within the camp of the market economy intelligent proposals are floated from time to time with the support of this newspaper. Among them are sensible micro-economic steps like the reduction of employer's insurance contribution, and conceivably a ceiling on industrial rate payments. There are others. But from Mr Walker preaching the "Middle Way" and the glories of growth, there is nothing hard, coherent, or thought-out. It seems to be directed at winning broad goodwill.

Clearly he thinks that reflation would work. He is helped to that blithe conclusion by an optimism natural in his own excellent character. It was after all Mr Walker who supposed at the Department of Industry that heavy investment and expansion would be desirable in steel just before the biggest crash on record. At Agriculture he talked the language of "Bonanza" to dairy farmers in the West Midlands a few months before they were into distress slaughter. As Environment Minister he devised the feed-coullor and thus invented Mr HATTON. Mr LIVINGSTONE and all: he also invented the Metropolitan Councils. This is not a record of solid achievement or of sound judgment about the future.

While it may embarrass all sides to recall the fact that this was a Labour government under Mr CALLAGHAN (not at all indifferent to workers and their interests), which began the rescue of a currency heading for South American levels. Mrs THATCHER and her Treasury Ministers have re-doubled that effort in the knowledge that facile inflation is the easy answer to nothing.

JOHN RAVEN suggests ways in which the Coal Board and Government could bring the miners' strike to an acceptable conclusion

SOMEWHERE behind Mr Scargill and Mr MacGregor, beyond the NCB or the NUM, Britain still has a coal industry, capable of providing highly skilled and well paid employment for up to 150,000 men, and supporting dozens of mining communities.

Its purchases from the rest of British industry amount to over £1 billion annually. It produces £3.5 billion worth every year of a basic commodity, which, already a major factor in our economic independence, is bound to grow scarcer and more valuable with time.

Few people, outside the current scuffle, doubt that we need to keep as many of those advantages and jobs as possible or that the key to that possibility must lie in the Coal Board selling its future output on broadly commercial terms.

SOLVING that equation, by providing the best, most durable blend of employment and profitability, is the real coal problem. Success will demand leadership from management and willing co-operation from men. Much will depend upon the way in which the current labour dispute is settled.

A public victory for Mr Scargill, on his terms, will mean, among many things, the end of any hope of a truly modern coal industry. A knock-down defeat for the striking miners will drive their resentment literally underground, and turn Mr Scargill into an inconveniently onslain martyr with an assured platform until after the turn of the century.

The final stages of the strike are unlikely to be decided solely between the formal antagonists. Too many wider political issues attend its outcome. Other important forces have always been poised on the sidelines.

Even at this stage an unexpected turn of events, or serious lapse of political or managerial judgment, could spark off clashing reactions at some other pressure point in the energy economy. The sudden, near-catastrophe of the NACODS strike threat is a powerful precedent.

Certainly, if Mr Scargill seemed close to victory on his own account, he could expect a plethora of nicely timed aid from a number of other militant tendencies. Neither the Labour party nor the TUC could afford to maintain their current recipe of all possible support short of actual assistance. The advantages of a quick hop, skip and jump on to such a spectacular political bandwagon would be irresistible.

But events seem to be moving in the opposite direction and the time has now come for that other by-stander, the Government, to shape the rough-beaten ends of this debilitating dispute somewhat nearer to its own policy purposes.

The ideal outcome would split Mr Scargill away from the maximum number of NUM members. It would reduce his power and credibility among his

Putting the pits before personalities

Two areas and executive. It would bring some recognition of those miners who have stayed at work and give the strikers and their families a sense of something to show for their undoubted sacrifices. The miners, as a renewed whole, should be helped towards a feeling that they are, once again, a valued part of the broader community. Finally, the settlement must give promise of a better style of management than anything we, or they, have seen since the strike began.

Peace in the pits could best come from an offer made by the employers to the men directly and not through the union at all. The Board should make the simple announcement that from an appointed day, perhaps, say, Jan. 1, all men working in the pits would have a permanent, personal agreement of employment with the NCB. This should be linked to practical measures for redeployment and retraining, a plan for developing alternative jobs to compensate for pit closures and a long-term strategy for recruitment of young entrants. It

JOHN RAVEN believes that once the personalities are cleared away the mining industry could have a bright future

should be made clear that these arrangements had nothing to do with the sweeping concessions of the MacGregor March 6 offer, so fortunately rejected by Mr Scargill.

This direct approach, following the spur of the Christmas bonus, should stand a good chance of bringing a willing workforce back to full production. Even if the strike continued it would restore the initiative to the NCB and give the Government a potentially reasonable policy round which to rally support.

The general public is bemused by constant wrangles about uneconomic and exhausted pits and rightly distrustful of any arguments based on invocations of criticism of that wretched Plan for Coal. It will need a clear view of a simple issue if it is to be called in support of Mr Thatcher in resisting Mr Scargill through the unpredictable hazards of a possibly severe winter.

The Board has everything to gain from a settlement clearly divorced from its unrealistic March offer. After the disruption and damage of the past few months,

Mass ticketing outside Ministry

MOVES ARE AFOOT to make individual Ministries responsible for parking tickets imposed on Government cars following a rather embarrassing rise in the number of £10 penalties received by official cars outside the Department of Energy's Millbank headquarters.

Since the miners' strike began in March there have been constant meetings in Peter Walker's office between Ministers and officials. But the importance of their work has had no impact on Westminster traffic wardens who have delivered a flurry of tickets to the official black Rovers, Princesses and Jaguars waiting on yellow lines outside.

The cost, which runs into thousands of pounds, is at present met by the Crown Suppliers, part of the Property Services Agency. But the P.S.A. is determined that as part of Whitehall cost-cutting each Ministry pays its own fines and quite rightly, too.

Maltese cross

COLONEL GADDAFI managed to upset even his old crony Dom Mintoff during a three-day visit to Malta of the weekend by floating one of the local régime's own laws.

The Libyan leader, immaculately dressed in a white uniform, a Maltese tailor and modelled on that worn by Prince Charles on his wedding day, launched a tirade at a rally of government supporters calling President Reagan a madman and remarking that the Libyan's own Foreign Interference Act designed to stop visitors criticising his régime.

Nor did Gaddafi's belligerent

enourage endear themselves to less committed islanders, as they roamed the streets openly brandishing machine guns and revolvers. A collective sigh of relief has gone up now the Libyans have left.

A reader with rather too much time on his hands has sent me a story concerning an international tennis eating competition, the two finalists in which were a Mr Hicks from Fife and a Svedea called Sven. During the contest Hicks lost a tooth and was disqualified and Sven went on to win, consuming nine fish. The headline next morning read: "One tooth free for Fife's Hicks; Sven ate nine tench."

Jail: tension mounts

I HAVE MIXED NEWS to report for those who have been following the Bristol Prison jelly-baby kidnapping outrage.

The Red Watch of Woolston fire station in Southampton have intervened at the 11th hour with an offer to pay the ransom of three tubes of Smarties to recover the babies which

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were, of course, abducted from the desk of Sir Oliver Brian Coles more than a month ago.

And the proprietor of a Cornish post office has spot a squad of five police officers to the prison in the hope that they will be "of assistance in catching the perpetrators of this particularly nasty crime."

So far, though, they do not seem to have made a breakthrough. Last week two babies were discovered "mummified" in a jelly mould placed in the prison car park. Later another baby was discovered in the locker room strapped into a miniature, working model electric chair.

Pressure continues to mount on Coles who is still refusing to how to work despite the fact that the kidnappers' deadline expired at noon yesterday...

Taking a pounding

THE SUGGESTION the other day which proposed the naming of the £1 coin after Arthur Scargill (thick, round, the edges, universally unpopular and damaging the nation's pockets) has attracted a welter of correspondence from readers.

My suggestion that the "unmanned" 50p piece might be nicknamed "Arthur Scargill" has prompted many to remind me that the coin was christened a Wilson (twofaced, many-sided) at the time of its introduction. And several people have chided me for helping the miners' leaders towards immortality, suggesting instead that the outgoing £1 note (tattered, soiled, discredited and lightweight) should be given the Scargill epithet.

Buzz of success

WHATEVER the outcome of British Telecom's share sale, a small part of the cost of the advertising campaign may be offset by a sizeable increase in revenue from telephone enquiries asking for a copy of the prospectus.

The Bristol number, advertised in newspapers and on television for those wanting more information, has received more than 1.3 million calls in the past three weeks. Depending on how long callers were kept hanging on — and British Telecom say most should only have used one unit on the call — a revenue well in excess of £60,000 and maybe as high as £120,000 must have been produced.

Nevertheless it is a small contribution to the cost of selling Telecom which is estimated at £7.5 million in advertising alone and a further £8.4 million in internal expenditure.

Culture vultures

BRITAIN'S CULTURAL traditions, if not its industrial products, are finding a ready market among the Japanese who are worried that their material successes leave no time for higher values.

Their latest acquisition is the teach-

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ing library of the late Sir Nevill Martin, the Chaebol of English and Merton Professor of English at Oxford, which has just been bought by Buori University no Shikoku Island.

A special Nevill Coghill room has been built to house the 1,000-volume collection, decorated with photographs and letters illustrating the Oxford don's life and career. University Principal, Prof. Tadabito Murasaki proudly boasts it will be the arsenal of a new cultural offensive.

I trust that the appropriate section within the Department of Social Security will be as alarmed as it was to read in last week's Cyprus Mail: "A British tourist slaying at Yermassoy has told police she lost a British Social Security cheque for £51 sterling, issued on her name."

Scilly season

THE SMALLEST soccer league in the country, that on the Isles of Scilly, has lost its proud disciplinary-free record after one of its players was fined £5 by the F.A. for dissent at a referee's decision.

The match was the top-of-the-table versus bottom team clash between the Garrison Gunners and the Woolpack Wanderers.

Actually every week is a top versus bottom clash as the league has only two teams and they play one another every Sunday. They share a single ground and I rather the nearest thing to home and away is when they change ends.

Stealing a march

THE WORKING INDIAN's solemn and moving account of the local Remembrance Day procession was somewhat marred by the last paragraph which read: "Then, as the congregation stood with heads bowed, a lone burglar from the Welsh Guards played the Last Post."

PETERBOROUGH

Critics of Church matters

SIR—Is there not a hint of "journalistic hypocrisy" in the present attitude taken by your leader about the robust preaching of the gospel of love by the episcopate?

On the one hand, the bishops are told they have no right to criticise Government economic and fiscal policies because of their apparent effect on the poor and needy.

On the other hand, your leaders presume the right to criticise Church policy on such matters as the ordination of women, the Alternative Service Book, and a host of other "Church" matters which, by the same rules, are no concern of the DAILY TELEGRAPH.

I have read your otherwise estimable newspaper over a long period. It is not time that another text be found with which to justify your somewhat biased opinions? Poor old Caesar must be turning in his grave and saying: "Oh, no, not again!"

How about adopting the wisdom of Gamaliel, and the advice he gave: "Refrain from these men, and let them alone; for if it will be overthrown: but if it be of God, we will not be able to overthrow them: lest haply ye be found to be fighting even against God."

Give us factual reporting as that we can form our own opinions based on the full truth of what this or that person said.

P. GROSSSELL
Sellingdale Vicarage,
Kent.

Theology and economics
SIR—Having read your report (Northern Edition) of the Bishop of Durham's speech to the General Synod, I can only conclude that the Right Rev. David Jenkins does not understand the language of his clerical calling.

Referring to the report "Perspectives in Economics," he talks of the "theology of significant cross" and the report "Theology is the science of God, and has no connection whatever with economics."

What the bishop meant, perhaps, to say was "morally significant." But powerful clerics like himself should not be careless in their use of language.

The most chilling slip the bishop made was to describe the House of Lords as "a valuable instrument." For what, may one ask? (Lords Sketch).

(Mrs) M. T. CARRADICE
Bokan-le-Saund,
Lancs.

The Chancellor's spending money

SIR—It seems to be generally assumed that the Chancellor of the Exchequer will have some £1.5 billion to "give away" in the spring Budget. The prospect is so doubt considered by the Government as a cause for jubilation among taxpayers, I for one, feel otherwise.

The relief will no doubt to a large extent be spent abroad—on foreign holidays, Japanese cars and consumer goods, further upsetting our balance of trade.

I would gladly give up my share of the £1.5 billion to an spending imaginative to reduce our three million unemployed or help those forty whom a reduction in taxation has put in the unemployment queue. Surely the Government should be using such a sum to promote public works such as a new road to the north, a new building industry, we are told, 400,000 men without jobs and yet there is a crying need for more houses—new or reconducted. All that is lacking, we are told, is finance.

Would £1.5 billion not make a worthwhile start?

W. H. MCGREGOR
Balema, Louthian.

First year in the job

SIR—I would like to take the suggestion of Mr Tim Yeo, M.P. (Nov. 18), to help reduce unemployment, one stage further on and a little to one side.

Until a person has neither he nor his employer should pay National Insurance contributions. In addition, to encourage employers to employ, length of service qualifications for the purposes of employment protection legislation should be extended to one year.

Thus the effective price of labour to the employer is reduced. The effective wage for the employee, i.e. the difference between his benefit received and prospective take home pay is increased. The Treasury loses National Insurance contributions but makes fewer benefit payments and has an increased tax take.

After one year's service, the employee has to pay contributions but starts to receive the protection of the employment law.

Of course there are loopholes to be plugged. But it is time to consider options other than the "safe" ones which, after all, got us where we are today.

G. C. BRUNNING
Maidstone, Kent.

Misconceptions on the 1914-18 War

SIR—Dr R. E. Dawson's lengthy letter (Nov. 15) on the lessons of the First World War requires an answer which, unfortunately, cannot be brief.

He refers to "modern historical research" refuting earlier "rather reactionary views." It is therefore strange that he then continues by saying: "If we come next to a passage of pure mythology: 'The deaths of the thousands of British troops was due in no small measure to the "always attack" ethos of the British High Command and their lack of comprehension of the effects of modern small arms and explosives.' These modern misconceptions might be tenable if there was anything in the least degree true about the British experience in the war—but there was not. Indeed, he said that by comparison with other major belligerents, the British fought fairly lightly."

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Perhaps he was standing in the French, American or German cemeteries. The British did not put crosses. But this confusion only muddies that of his final point, that "if you talk war loud and long enough, you get one." What may we ask, do you get if you talk internationalism loud and long enough?

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Dr Dawson then repeats the hoary assertion that "the soldiers were led to be slaughtered like so many sheep and their officers were called 'donkeys'." That soldiers were sometimes—but not always—slaughtered is true—soldiers of all nations.

I am not aware that officers of any other nation than our own were called "donkeys," though other nations had equal, in some cases worse, casualties, and our own officers were only so described by a few writers in the 1960s who came very very close to the subject.

In this connection it is also worth remembering that the military dead of the Soviet Union between 1941-45 roughly equalled the military dead of all combatants in World War I, but I have never heard the Soviet marshals described as "donkeys."

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London, W.C.1.

Better teeth

SIR—As Dr Bernazzani points out (Nov. 14), dental decay is primarily a disease of children. However, over the last decade there has been a dramatic improvement in children's teeth, and this is mainly attributable to fluoridation rather than to any major dietary changes.

In England today, 50 per cent of five-to-six-year old children are caries free, and the average number of decayed teeth of 12-year-olds is no more than three. Therefore, we have already reached two of the six global targets for oral health set by the World Health Organisation for achievement by the year 2000.

Finally, sugar is only one of a number of carbohydrates, any of which can be fermented by bacteria and cause caries. Dental caries is a result of several factors, any least one of which is the presence of a susceptible tooth, the presence of micro-organisms and dietary factors.

GRAHAM C. SOMERVILLE
Dep. Director Gen. Sugar Bureau,
London, S.W.2.

Teaching for leisure

SIR—When I was at school in the thirties I was told the time would soon be upon us when we would have to teach for leisure. Over 50 years later we still do not seem to have grasped the fact.

(Mrs) K. CROUCH
Southminster, Essex.

Brothers 'with better case for nationality than Zola' must go



Mr. Bruce Hall (left) and his brother Gordon at their Marylebone home last night.

By GRAHAM JONES

TWO grandsons of a British army officer, who were born in South Africa but have no South African blood, have been ordered to leave Britain by the Home Office, and could face deportation.

Gordon Hall, 32, and his brother Bruce, 29, came to Britain four years ago to be with their widowed mother, who holds a British passport, and to learn accountancy.

All four of their grandparents were born in Britain, and they have no living relatives outside this country. They contrast their treatment with that of Zola Budd. She qualified for British citizenship because of her paternal grandfather. Her mother's side was Afrikaans, said Mr Bruce Hall. "We have

in 1907 when Capt. Henry Hall, a British army administrator, had been joined in the then Crown Colony by his English wife, Joan.

The Home Office has ruled that their father was not born under British jurisdiction, and cannot pass down British nationality.

The brothers, who studied law at the University of Cape Town, say the Home Office has made a mistake. They claim further British links through their maternal grandfather, George Thomson, who was born at Alford, Aberdeenshire, in 1894, marrying an Aberdeen girl before serving with the Royal Scots in the 1914-18 War. Two of his brothers were killed in action.

He set up home in the Transvaal on health advice following exposure to mustard gas, and it was his death in 1978 which led Mrs. Margaret Hall to return to her family in Britain, to be followed by her two sons.

No State aid

The brothers were temporarily admitted to Britain for three and six months, to study accountancy. Permission to stay was extended by the Home Office, but in July, 1981, they were told to leave, losing their appeal in March, 1983.

They came to Britain on South African passports, but said they had never applied for South African citizenship.

Both men say they have jobs to go to in insurance. They have been living in a flat in Mootague Mansions, Marylebone, with their mother since their work permits were revoked in 1982. They have spent the time taking additional courses in law and accountancy and stress they have not accepted a penny in State hand-outs.

A Home Office spokesman said last night there is no immediate prospect of their deportation because of representations by their M.P., Mr Peter Brooke (City of London and Westminster

Kidney stones dissolved by 'Big Banger'

THE first two patients in Britain to undergo a revolutionary form of treatment which removes kidney stones from the body without a surgical operation were treated in London yesterday.

The treatment is performed by a £1 million machine, dubbed "The Big Banger," which shatters the stones by focusing sound waves, causing them to disintegrate and pass out painlessly through the bladder.

The 45-minute procedure was carried out at the Jiffyprinter Centre in Welbeck Street, Marylebone.

The patients were Mr Thomas MacCarthy, a pensioner from Warden Bay, Kent, and a woman in her thirties who asked not to be named. Mr MacCarthy said afterwards: "It's as good as winning at bingo. Is it really all over? I can't feel any pain."

The German-made machine will normally be used for private patients at a fee of £1,000, but the centre has offered free treatment to 20 patients on NHS waiting lists.

Prince Edward (second from right) rehearsing with other undergraduates in Cambridge yesterday for "Captain Curious and his Incredible Quest," a pantomime-like play which opens at St Catharine's College theatre on Friday. The Prince, who is reading history at Jesus College, jumps in and out of various costumes to portray some of the zany characters during the captain's quest to find a magic soufflé for his hungry king.

Student grant rules 'will benefit parents living in sin'

By JOHN IZBICKI Education Correspondent

PARENTS who live in sin will be better off under the Government's newly proposed student grant regulations, according to Mr Michael Forsyth, Conservative M.P. for Stirling and a former chairman of the Federation of Conservative Students.

He said the regulations would benefit poorer parents but financially soak those in the upper income brackets and bring despondency to parents with children at independent schools.

Mr Forsyth has been receiving about 20 letters a day since the new parental contribution tables were published in the Daily Telegraph on Thursday.

From next September the Government will help those parents with residual incomes of less than £13,000. But those with a higher residual income will be expected to pay considerably more.

The table prompted Mr Forsyth, who would prefer to see the introduction of partial loans to students than heavier parental contributions, told me: "These new scales discriminate against married couples."

would have to remove at least one child from independent school as a result of the grant rules.

"The trouble is that independent school fees and rents are not deductible against income," said Mr Forsyth. "Mortgage interest rates, life insurance premiums and superannuation payments are deductible to calculate residual income."

"The thing to do would be to increase one's mortgage, or take out a second mortgage. Many parents with children at universities or polytechnics have only small mortgages," he said.

TINIEST HOUSE FETCHES £33,000

A tiny house, said to be the narrowest in London, was sold at auction at the Connaught Rooms, Covent Garden, yesterday.

Mr James Cooper, 56, a solicitor, of Willow Road, Hampstead, paid £33,000 for the six-foot wide, four-storey house in Goldhawk Road, Shepherd's Bush. It is centrally heated, has a kitchen and bathroom, is carpeted and has been rewired.

Neglected ponies 'victims of cult'

By A. J. McILROY

THOUSANDS of ponies are suffering untold hardship and neglect because they have become "suburban status symbols," a leading vet said yesterday.

The "cult of the pony" meant malnutrition, parasites and neglect for the poor charges, said Mr Philip Piment, senior lecturer in veterinary medicine at Bristol University.

His condemnation of those parents indulging their children with ponies they had neither the resources nor knowledge to keep was given full backing by the RSPCA last night.

Other anti-animal cruelty bodies also joined an appeal in parents to resist the temptation of making ponies Christmas presents this year even if it meant not keeping up with neighbours or friends.

'Social standing'

Addressing a symposium on animal welfare organised by the British Veterinary Association Animal Welfare Trust, Mr Piment said the suffering was such that "a natural catastrophe which removed 80 per cent of Britain's pony population would be a blessing in disguise."

"Since the last war a massive pony population has built up in this country."

"The cult of the pony became widespread, and it was a matter of social standing in the suburban areas that your child should own one."

"Many parents did not have the financial resources necessary to look after a pony properly, and few parents realised how much proper maintenance cost."

"As time passed, and the recession set in, the pony population continued to increase, but the environmental conditions deteriorated steadily. More and more ponies occupied a smaller and smaller acreage."

"Now it is a familiar pattern to see a dozen or so ponies all grazing in one field consisting largely of mud, bricks, old tins, nettles, docks, ragwort and redworm eggs."

Mr Piment said that in this worsening environment of overcrowding, the pony's condition deteriorated, and he was a tragedy of mud, bricks and old tins, nettles, docks, ragwort and redworm eggs.

Reagan rapped on 'ambassadors'

By TONY ALLEN-MILLS

in New York

A FLURRY of criticism of the political bias and alleged incompetence of certain American ambassadors has focused attention on what critics claim is President Reagan's practice of sending "ambassadors" to important embassies abroad.

The nomination of Presidential cronies to prestigious diplomatic posts has long been a fact of political life. But on several occasions recently Mr Reagan's appointees have come under fire from diplomatic career veterans.

Mr Joseph W. Warner Reed, the "United States" envoy in Morocco, was publicly labelled

a "14-carat nitwit" by Senator Thomas Eagleton after a visit to Rabat, in perhaps the most outspoken attack on a Reagan ambassador.

Mr Reed's position came under further scrutiny when the White House was dumbfounded by King Hassan's totally unforeseen decision to sign a "friendship treaty" with Libya.

As King Hassan was supposed to be America's staunchest ally in North-West Africa, and as Libya is possibly the most virulent anti-American State in the world, the treaty was generally regarded as a disaster for United States foreign policy.

The columnist Jack Anderson claimed that the "Washington Post" that Ambassador Reed, who had previously been proud

of his "unprecedented" access to King Hassan, was informed of the treaty one hour before it was announced to the world.

William Macomber, a former Ambassador to Turkey and Jordan, taking up the theme in the New York Times yesterday, wrote that "the problem of exporting foolish or at least inadequate ambassadors continues to be with us."

"The world is simply too dangerous, and America's role too critical, for this to go on."

Other politically-appointed ambassadors who have come under fire in recent years include Mr John J. Louis, former Ambassador to London, who was regarded by British officials as being rather slow to return from holiday to his post when the Falklands War began. Mr Louis has since been replaced.

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U.S. expansion cools during third quarter

By LAUREN CHAMBLISS in Washington

A SHARP fall-off in consumer spending, and an enormous jump in imports cut into the third quarter U.S. expansion pace to a crawl in the third quarter, the United States government reported yesterday.

The Commerce Department revised downward its forecast for growth in the July-September period to show the economy expanded at a mere 1.3 p.c. pace, the lowest rate of expansion for the American economy since the end of the 1982 recession.

The Commerce Department previously said the third quarter growth was 2.7 p.c. While some economists said the cool-off could mean the economy is about to enter another recession, the consensus was the unexpected slow pace would only be temporary.

Wall Street investors appeared to side with the optimists and the Dow Jones Industrial Average rose sharply throughout the day to record its first healthy gain in nearly two weeks.

The buying spree was spurred when a brokerage house advised clients to get ready for a rally by selling bonds and buying stocks.

The clients of Drexel Burnham Lambert followed the advice and other investors soon joined in the advance and the Dow was up 12.38 at 198.10, shortly before the close.

The index closed 9.83 points up at 195.2.

The slowdown in the third quarter growth was unexpected.

Mr Howard, chief economist with the Federal National Mortgage Association, said by the end of this summer the economy had run its course and the economy was slowing from recovery to expansion. But then on top of that natural slowdown, consumer spending virtually stopped, imports grew, and it became very difficult for domestic producers to sell goods.

According to the GNP report, imports in the third quarter rose at a 35 p.c. annual rate. Mr Howard, however, considers that the economy in a period of "re-calibration" and that by the first quarter of 1985, the economic engine should pull back up to a 4 p.c. growth.

He added, however, that the fourth quarter would continue to be weak and a 2 p.c. growth pace would not be unexpected.

The expectations for a sluggish start to the fourth quarter were backed up by a housing starts report also released yesterday. The Commerce Department said housing starts fell 9.8 p.c. in October, and were off nearly 10 p.c. from the robust construction pace during the same time last year.

• Sterling closed at \$1.2580 against \$1.2490 on Monday.

CITIBANK alone took up the challenge set by Barclays Bank and cut its base rate for sterling loans by 1/2 p.c. to 9 1/2 p.c. yesterday. The three big clearing banks and the smaller British banks all stood and waited for a signal from the Bank of England which never came, a clearer picture of events on the other side of the Atlantic which failed to emerge and perhaps for the right psychological moment in the British Telecom saga.

The discount houses were again reluctant to concede rates based on a 9 1/2 p.c. base rate yesterday morning if there was any hope of securing the money they needed from the authorities at 1/2 p.c. less. The Bank was able to buy only 1/2 million in bills at midday, all maturing in less than two weeks.

Eventually the discount houses sold another £58 million worth of bills in the two shortest maturity bands, and took £5 million in direct loans, but the total shortage was eventually revised down to only £100 million, which was no fair test of intentions. Today the shortage will be substantially greater and a better test of intentions is in prospect.

Events in the United States also rightly play a major part in the timing of a further general move to 9 1/2 p.c. base rate. Yesterday's American economic indicators seemed to show an economy slowing down further in the third quarter of the year, while inflation appears to be gradually accelerating again.

But the foreign exchange markets read into the United States output figures a suggestion that a slowdown in business stocks is being matched by a rally in consumer spending which could suggest a second leg to the recovery next year.

So far there has been no evidence of any real selling of either shares or gilt-edged stocks to finance applications for Telecom shares. But the application money will have to come from somewhere, and not all of it from the building societies. Even at £40 paid the same issue will have much the same

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Base rates wait for Bank of England's signal

impact on markets as a fully subscribed gilt-edged tap stock.

If the issue does create severe shortages of liquidity in the money markets, however, the Bank of England may well step in again with another special sale and repurchase agreement to tide the markets over. Big though the issue is, it should not stand in the way of a base rate cut.

Warburg grins as City muses

IT IS JUST three months since S.G. Warburg decided to make a quantum leap into the big league of international securities houses, at present dominated by the Americans and Japanese, by organising a four-way merger involving stockbrokers Rowe and Pitman, stockjobbers Akroyd & Smithers and the gilt-edged specialist Mullens and Co., the traditional home of the Government broker.

The new grouping, with a combined capital base of £250 million, represents by far the boldest and most imaginative of all the City mergers contemplated so far. But City opinion remains deeply divided over its chances of success, with many arguing that Warburg may have bitten off more than it can chew.

Detractors of the four-way partnership point to the difficulty of bringing together essentially different business "cultures" as well as the risk that the partners will

not live up to their initial promise. Supporters of the new Warburg grouping believe it has the stamp of excellence.

Both sides in the City debate were given plenty of food for thought yesterday following the publication by Akroyd of its results for the year to September. These show a drop in taxable profits from £16.1 million to £9.4 million after a particularly difficult second half.

But the news failed to shock the City. Akroyd had already warned that its profits would be "considerably lower" at the time of the formal merger document in October, while stockjobbing profits are notoriously volatile. In fact, the City was more interested in the statement from Akroyd's directors pointing to "satisfactory" trading conditions since September. Akroyd shares ended the day with a 10p rise to 385p.

Warburg shareholders may now rue the generous £116 million price tag put on Akroyd when Warburg took its initial stake last November. But there was some comfort yesterday from Akroyd's decision to pay a final dividend of 12.5p, making a total for the year of 16.5p on its increased share capital, the same as the previous year's distribution.

Warburg itself also provided some cheer yesterday with news that the profits of Mercury Securities, its parent company, have turned out better in the first half of the year than expected.

While the City muses, Warburg

itself remains brimful of confidence. Chairman David Scholey claims that "the closer we get to completing the merger, the more it makes sense."

Index points to recovery peak

THE LONGER leading index of cyclical indicators, which forecasts changes in economic activity some 12 months ahead, crept up again in October after falling sharply between March and July. But the index has still not returned to its level at the start of the year and, while the Central Statistical Office cautions that the coal strike has made interpretation difficult, it continues to point to a peak in the recovery early in 1985.

What this means in practice, however, is a matter of some doubt. Few in the forecasting fraternity would quarrel with the notion that the underlying pace of activity is likely to slow next year. The Treasury's own forecast envisages a slackening from 3.5 p.c. this year (abstracting from the effects of the miners' strike) to 2.5 p.c. next.

But the cyclical indicators purport to tell us something more. A downturn in the longer leading index would normally presage a recession—which does not necessarily mean that output actually falls, as it did last time, but that economic growth slips below trend so that the margin of spare capacity in the economy starts to grow again.

The problem is that no one really knows what Britain's long-term trend rate of growth now is. The Treasury thinks it is probably between 2 p.c. and 2.5 p.c. a year—a good deal better than the stagnant 1970s but rather less than the 3 p.c., or so, during the 1950s and 1960s.

On this view 2.5 p.c. growth next year would clearly be above trend—and therefore represent a continuation of recovery, with the peak of the economic cycle still to come.

Further fall in oil prices

NORTH Sea oil prices dropped further in spot market trading yesterday with Brent crude, the market price, standing at a \$14.40 discount for delivery in January.

But in Government quarters the pressure for a further cut in North Sea prices after last week's \$13.50-a-barrel reduction was being played down. It was being pointed out that actual trading is limited and that the market has not yet fully appreciated that the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries is "getting its act together."

A barrel of oil drifted down to \$26.65 a barrel, a fall of 10c from Monday's level, against an official price of \$28.65.

Metal Box up

METAL BOX's interim profits for Sept. 30 have increased from a previous £20.8m to £21.7m. Last year's figure has been adjusted for the change in status from subsidiary to associate of the South African interests. The actual figure reported for the half-year to September 30 was £24.3 million.

The interim dividend, payable Jan. 14, is to be raised by 5 p.c. to 6.10p net.

Question—P25

C. E. Heath ahead

C. E. HEATH reports pre-tax profits of £13.7m for the six months ended September, compared with £9.2m following strong advances by insurance broking and underwriting.

The interim dividend rises from 5.25p to 6p a share, payable Jan. 3.

Question—P25

Diploma winner

DIPLOMA's full year profits to Sept. 30 have climbed to £16.3m before tax, from £11.1m for the 15 months to Sept. 1983. That takes in a strong performance from electronic components distribution where the contribution rose from £6.8m to £12m.

The final dividend, payable on Jan. 10, is 7.5p net, against 6p, for a total of 10p which compares with an annualised 6p net.

Unilever sale

UNILEVER is negotiating to sell its three-ship Norfolk Line ferry service between Great Yarmouth and Holland to Mærsk Line, a Danish company with a fleet of 18 tankers and offshore supply ships.

It is part of Unilever's decision to withdraw from the British transport industry and concentrate on traditional products.

Yearlings down

INTEREST RATES in the local authority yearling bond market are down for the fourth successive week—on this occasion 10 p.c. to 5 1/2 p.c. Issues are again all at par and borrowers include Birmingham District Council, Preston Borough Council and City of Newcastle upon Tyne (£1m each); Borough of Northampton (£500,000); and Adur District Council and Cleveland County Council (£500,000 each).

Fleet feelers

TRAFALGAR HOUSE has been invited by P&O to consider if there are areas of fleet co-operation which might benefit both groups.

WORLD MARKETS

AMSTERDAM (IANF CBS Gen)	174.70	+ 0.20
BRUSSELS (Index)	157.07	- 1.79
FRANKFURT (Commetzbank)	1,075.80	+ 4.60
HONGKONG (Huang Beng)	1,072.52	+ 4.91
NEW YORK (Iow Jones)	1,195.12	+ 9.83
PARIS (CAC General)	179.70	- 0.50
STOKE (ordinaries)	772.60	- 2.50
TOKYO (Nikkei Dow)	11,256.98	- 27.23
ZURICH (Credit Suisse)	312.20	- 0.40

U.S. COMMODITIES

GOLD (COMEX) Nov.	245.1
Dec.	245.1
Jan.	245.1
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SILVER (COMEX) Nov.	160.25
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Jan.	160.25
Feb.	160.25
Mar.	160.25
Apr.	160.25
May	160.25
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Jul.	160.25
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COPPER (COMEX) Nov.	150.00
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U.S. RATES

Federal funds	8 1/2 p.c. (19-5 p.c.)
Treasury 3 month bills	8 1/2 p.c. (8-8 1/2 p.c.)
1 year bonds	11.01-11.11 (11-11.11)
Yield	11.35 p.c. (11-11.35 p.c.)

FT—ACTUARIES INDICES

Industrial Group	556.95 (-3.07)
"500"	599.50 (-2.62)
All-Share	549.34 (-3.49)

Lithgow complaint on Telecom for Congress

By ROLAND GRIBBEN

OBJECTIONS lodged in the United States by Sir William Lithgow, the Scottish industrialist, about the sale of British Telecom shares in the United States are to be taken to Congress.

The latest twist in an unexpected challenge came yesterday as a brick demand developed for the Telecom prospectus in Britain and the first applications arrived within hours of newspapers dropping through letter boxes.

Sir William's attempts to get a "health warning" on the prospect of Labour renationalisation in the United States prospectus are the latest step in a long-running campaign aimed at obtaining better compensation for shipbuilding assets nationalised by Labour.

New York lawyers representing Sir William, head of Lithgow Holdings, filed a complaint with the Securities and Exchange Commission that the United States prospectus did not set out clearly enough the renationalisation risks or declare that the British Government could face a \$1 billion liability if it loses the shipbuilding compensation case now with the European Human Rights Commission in Strasbourg.

The SEC is understood to

UK supplementary estimates hit £3bn

COSTS imposed by the miners' strike, losses by the Export Credits Guarantee Department, higher than expected social security payments and pay rises for nurses, doctors and dentists, among others, have been charged to the Treasury to Parliament yesterday.

Some £3.2 billion of this counts as public spending, of which £1.5 billion has been charged to the contingency reserve and £950 million has been found from savings elsewhere.

Officials said the estimates were consistent with the Chancellor's forecast last week that public spending this year would run about £1.5 billion over target.

National Savings rates cut 1/2 p.c.

THE GOVERNMENT is cutting the interest rates on all its variable-rate National Savings accounts. The return on income and deposit bonds is to fall from 12 1/2 p.c. before tax to 12 p.c., and the gross return on the investment account from 12 to 11 1/2 p.c.

The common interest rate paid on fixed interest rate savings certificates which have run their five years is also to be reduced, from 8.52 to 8.28 p.c., but the 29th issue of certificates paying their tax-free 8 p.c. will remain on sale.

The investment account return had been raised from 9 1/2 p.c. in July and the cut will take effect from December 1. The income and deposit bonds rate rose from 10 p.c. on September 2 and the reduction will be implemented on January 2.

Dixons attacks Currys' scheme

CURRYS Group shares slumped 20p to 464p yesterday amid market fears that Dixons' £232 million offer might fail, especially if it runs up against the united opposition of the "whole Currys family." The family is thought to have 35 p.c. of the shares.

Dixons' offer, with its own shares unchanged yesterday, is worth 439p a share.

Dixons and advisers Morgan Grenfell yesterday criticised Currys' plan to sell off properties and repay the proceeds to shareholders if the bid fails. It is "an indictment of its past performance and a confession of its management failures," they said.

Euroferries plan £100m expansion

EUROPEAN FERRIES yesterday announced a £100 million plan to build new ships and enlarge existing ones. It comes as it starts £40 million expansion of the Port of Felixstowe and prepares for a Parliamentary Bill for up to another £100 million investment at the Suffolk port.

Euroferries, owner of the Townsend Thoresen ships, is gearing up for battle with the localised Sealink (UK) which Sea Containers intends to bring to the stock market as British Ferries within the next two years.

Goodison times 'big bang' Composite tax rate is 25 1/4 p.c.

SIR Nicholas Goodison, Stock Exchange chairman, yesterday reinforced recent indications that the "big bang" demolition—trading support, surveillance and settlement. When they were operating "it will be possible for investors to reconstruct the timetable of events in any particular pattern of dealing retrospectively."

Alex Fletcher, Minister for Corporate and Consumer Affairs, said at the same meeting that the changing structure should attract more investors both from home and abroad "in the knowledge that they will be dealing with properly regulated yet innovative and progressive markets."

George Hayter, director of information services for the

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MONEY & EXCHANGES

THE dollar continued to rise in foreign exchange markets yesterday, depressing the pound in spite of further evidence that the American economy is slowing down.

By the close the pound was 65 points lower at \$1.2414 against \$1.2475 overnight. The pound held up well against other major currencies and its international value was unchanged on the day at 78.

Signs of an economic slowdown in America and lower interest rates helped money markets, where dealers await a lead from the Bank of England for a general half-point cut to 9½ per cent in British bank base rates.

But, with the Bank of England only needing to increase 100 money markets, no attempt was made to provide a lead on interest rates.

THE POUND ASKED

Country	Rate
America	78.00-78.10
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

OTHER MARKET RATES

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Belgium	360.00-360.10
Denmark	136.50-136.60
Finland	5.9400-5.9410
Greece	340.00-340.10
Hong Kong	7.8000-7.8010
India	150.00-150.10
Israel	1.8000-1.8010
Kenya	120.00-120.10
Malaysia	2.3000-2.3010
Malta	1.0000-1.0010
Portugal	200.00-200.10
South Africa	1.5000-1.5010
South Korea	110.00-110.10
Taiwan	1.8000-1.8010
Thailand	50.00-50.10
USA	78.00-78.10

DOLLAR RATES

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

EURO CURRENCIES

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

GOLD PRICE

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

PLATINUM NOBLES

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

NEW SOVEREIGNS

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

MONEY MARKET RATES

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

LOCAL AUTHORITY DEPOSITS

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

RANK RATES

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

TREAS. BILLS

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

STRENGTH C.D.

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
Italy	1.3600-1.3610
Japan	160.00-160.10
Netherlands	2.2000-2.2010
Spain	166.00-166.10
Sweden	10.4000-10.4010
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5010
UK	78.00-78.10

DOLLAR C.D.

Country	Rate
Australia	1.4800-1.4810
Canada	1.2414-1.2415
France	163.50-163.60
Germany	1.9350-1.9360
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COMPANIES

Readicut Int.

READICUT INTERNATIONAL, a specialist in textile design, is gradually building back to the former record levels achieved in 1978-79.

The company, which swung from a £1.1m loss to a £1.3m profit in 1983-84 and partially re-structured, has lifted opening half profits from £189,000 to £240,000, with a 0.15p distribution on Jan. 1.

In 1983-79 the company made £2.3m profit and paid a total of 1.77p. Prof. Smith says that order books in most companies are stronger than at this time last year, although Firth is being affected by a general half-point cut to 9½ per cent in British bank base rates.

But, with the Bank of England only needing to increase 100 money markets, no attempt was made to provide a lead on interest rates.

HAT Group

GROWTH at HAT Group, the industrial painting and building services group, slowed in the first half with pre-tax profits up 12 per cent to £1.5m compared with £1.3m in the same period last year.

In Britain all divisions achieved good trading performance with the exception of painting, the largest, where margins came under pressure.

In the United States the industrial division in the painting companies Slue and Cannon is performing well while the property development in Houston is still in the red and could be sold before the year-end.

The group's enviable 20 p.c. plus growth record in each of the past five years is unlikely to be extended this time but further progress is still expected.

The interim dividend goes up from 1.65p to 1.8p on Feb. 27.

A. F. Bulgin

THE benefits of its recent reorganisation and stock rationalisation programme are beginning to show through for A.F. Bulgin while exceptional costs are now largely behind it. Opening half profits came out at £208,000 against the corresponding period's £201,000. But these figures are struck after the exceptional £20,000 (nil cost) for the creation of the new power conversion division and contrast sharply with the preceding six months when Bulgin lost £33,000 after exceptional costs of £179,000.

Chairman Ronald Bulgin is confident that the second half will be considerably better still, helped on the manufacturing side by a price increase, greater economies and product rationalisation.

The interim is again 0.58p, payable Dec. 17 from earnings of 0.4p to 0.65p.

Concentric

CONCENTRIC recovery has continued through 1983-84 with pre-tax profits up to £1.1m to £1.2m, and this controls and assemblies maker has made an encouraging start again this time.

Reporting a rise in sales from £14.2m to £15.1m, says it is now deriving the first rewards of penetration into new fields.

Hartons-Elson agree merger

HARTONS, the plastic sheet and consumer products group, is merging with foam and domestic heating appliance maker Elson & Robinson. Hartons' recommended offer comprises three of its shares plus 16p in cash for every two Elson Ordinary. Holders of 19.1 p.c. of Elson's equity intend accepting.

The terms value Elson shares at 80p and the company at £7.92 million, with Hartons 2.5 times as large. Elson, a relatively active market of late, rising from 66p at the start of the month to touch 80p last week, closed 10 firmers at 78p.

Elson, meanwhile, reports full year profits of £864,000 against £1.21 million.

Forshaw's

THE BENEFITS of Forshaw's, Burton-on-Trent, investment in improving its houses and acquiring new outlets are flowing through with opening half sales up by over 20m to £12.5m and pre-tax profits on from £1.5m to £1.4m after exceptional expenses of £118,000.

The interim is again 2.5p, payable Feb. 22 from earnings of 1.7p to 1.9p. The final, which will not be less than last time's 6.38p, will be recommended in the light of the full year's results.

Hoggett Bowers

HOGGETT Bowers, the management recruitment group, has comfortably topped the £500,000 pre-tax profit for the year ended August when it posted the U.S. in the summer with an advance from £114,000 to £128,000. Earnings came out at 7.2p, up from 6.5p, and the board is paying a dividend for 1983-84.

In fact, the group should be congratulated on the timing of its South African divestment since the contribution from there has only with it had been played the same strategy with its Nigerian operations since after a first half loss these look set for a full-year swinground into the red of close on £10 million.

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However, the chances of any volume growth are slight. The only division to show any improvement on that front so far is the Consumer Division, the central heating operation, which has regained market share in

BIDS AND DEALS

HUTCHINSON, the LWT Holdings subsidiary, has sold 80 p.c. of Anchor Brendon, its Tiptree-based printing and binding company, to Courier Corporation, Lowell, Massachusetts. This is the first acquisition outside the United States by Courier, a major quoted printing group, and it intends developing Anchor Brendon's business through expanding book production capacity.

Winterbottom

GRIS & CO., the New York investment firm, has withdrawn its proposal to Winterbottom Energy Trust, in which it has a 5.19 p.c. stake, which would have involved an offer to holders at about one asset value. Winterbottom has indicated that in view of other discussions the Gris proposal was not sufficiently attractive.

George Dew

GEORGE DEW is selling its 50 p.c. stake in a Middle East land-developing venture to its Saudi Arabian partner for a nominal consideration.

The business made trading losses last year and has just incurred a "significant loss" from a customer failure. The group may have to write off £1.5m.

Addison Communications, which joined the U.S. last month, is paying £125,000 cash for copyright typesetting specialist Trop Graphics, which ended 1983-84 with pre-tax profits of £17,000 on sales of £167,000.

CHAIRMAN

Trident Commander Services Group — John O'Sullivan: Company will continue to grow in current year, comfortably exceeding net profit forecast for first two months.

Castle 1681 — Bruce Trumble: Sales in first three months satisfactorily ahead of corresponding period.

C. H. Pearce and Sons — Gordon Pearce: Sufficient orders and contracts in hand in current year to enable us to maintain profits similar to 1983-84.

Management Bronze Holdings — Oswald Pearce: 1983-84 has started with a better budget than for many years.

THE QUESTOR COLUMN

Metal Box needs to pop up a surprise

WHAT are they going to do now? That is a reasonable question as far as Metal Box is concerned.

Over the past three years reorganisation has certainly saved the group from the worst impact of recession but the benefits from this are beginning to run out of steam.

Profits for the six months to September 30 are roughly as expected, but the growth rate is only marginal at less than 5 p.c. to 1.7 million — compared with the 1983-84 figures for 1983-84 adjusted for the change from subsidiary to associate status of the South African interests.

In fact, the group should be congratulated on the timing of its South African divestment since the contribution from there has only with it had been played the same strategy with its Nigerian operations since after a first half loss these look set for a full-year swinground into the red of close on £10 million.

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Heath downside risks limited

RELUKTANT to expand on its strategy, C. E. Heath has little to be ashamed of with interim pre-tax profits up from £9.5 million to £13.7 million. Even if currency gains within the insurance broking and underwriting arms were, say, £2 million, the underlying trend has been healthy, and given a strong year end a further final dividend is clearly in sight.

On the insurance broking side profits were 27.5 p.c. higher, and from underwriting there was an 85 p.c. advance with much of this credit going to Australia. Pinnacle Reinsurance in Bermuda also pulled its weight.

The French market still has its problems, though cost containment within Groupe Sprinkles is beginning to work, so when the French market turns on the rates front Sprinkles should do better.

In the year in March, Heath made a £4.48 million exceptional provision before arriving at its annual pre-tax level of £19.1 million. So far this year the group has only had to take a "prudent" look at its debt provision before arriving at disclosed interim figures, and expects progress in the first half to be reflected correspondingly in the second.

The overall tenor of C. E. Heath is encouraging, and the groundwork done in earlier years on workers' compensation in Australia still has some rework to be done. However, in the longer-term there are question marks over this activity, especially if a sole insurance scheme comes in, though the market price largely takes this uncertainty on board.

Within the United States market more business is being seen and rates are hardening. The contribution from the Lloyd's underwriting operations will be taken in the year end, though not much different from the previous £835,000 should be expected.

On the back of generally better-than-expected interim figures, Heath looks on target for a conservative £29 million pre-tax this year to put the shares at 480p, up 18p, on a prospective price-earnings ratio of 9.4. Healed by yield considerations, the downside risk looks limited.

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GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION

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The Depositary will give further notice of the Sterling Equivalent of the net distribution per unit payable on and after the 17th December 1984.

All claims must be accompanied by a completed Claim Form and USA Tax Declaration (if applicable) and must be received by the Depositary no later than 10.00 a.m. on 10th December 1984. Claims received after this date will be dealt with as late claims.

Barclays Bank PLC
Securities Services Department
54 Lombard Street
London EC3N 3AH

C.E. Heath Public Limited Company

INTERIM REPORT 1984-85

Unaudited results on the historical cost basis for the six months to 30 September 1984

COMPARATIVE RESULTS	Six months to 30 September 1984	1983	Year to 31 March 1984
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Net Brokerage income	6,195	4,865	10,464
Net Underwriting income	7,060	3,861	11,582
Operating profit	13,697	9,303	19,141
Net profit attributable	8,321	5,354	11,485
Earnings per share	26.6p	17.2p	36.9p
Dividend per share (net)	6.0p	5.25p	17.0p

■ Total group profit before tax and minorities was £13,697,000, an increase of 47.2% over the comparative figure for 1983/84. Earnings per share rose 54.7% to 26.6p and an interim dividend of 6.0p per share (1983 — 5.25p) will be paid on 3 January 1985 to shareholders on the register at the close of business on 6 December 1984.

■ Insurance broking income was £16,186,000 compared with £14,206,000; a growth rate of 13.9%. Both our UK and Australian operations have made an increased contribution.

■ Further good progress has been made on the underwriting side. A major factor is improved investment income and interest. Both our Australian underwriting operation and Pinnacle Reinsurance Company in Bermuda have reported substantially increased half-year profits.

D. H. NEWTON, Chairman

Copies of the full Interim Report are available from the Secretary, C.E. Heath Public Limited Company, Cuthbert Heath House, 150 Minories, London EC3N 1NR. Telephone: 01-488 2488

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NETWORK ANALYST

The appointment is to a team of engineers based in Chittagong and is for a period of 8 months. The teams involvement is the extension of our services to Bakhrabad Gas Systems Ltd., and the Network Analyst's job is well advanced with all guidelines and policies established. The requirement, apart from good computer and programming experience, calls for a familiarity with various empirical equations for pressure drop in gas pipelines and gas distribution networks and knowledge of gas supply installations to domestic and industrial consumers. Excellent overseas benefits package and single accommodation provided. Ref 10/9/83.



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Anglo American Corporation's Medical Service provides hospital based medical care for some 200,000 people with a staff complement of 70 full-time Medical Officers and Specialists. All medical staff are employed by Anglo American and are based in different hospitals. This appointment is to the West Vaal Hospital which services the Vaal Reefs Gold Mining and Exploration Company, the largest gold mine in the Republic of South Africa with ore reserves stretching well into the next century. The mine, which is highly mechanised, is situated near Orkney in the Western Transvaal and has outstanding amenities and facilities. The hospital is a modern well-equipped Unit of 450 beds and provides a full medical service to approximately 40,000 employees and their families resident on the mine. A separate wing for women and children and a new I.C. Unit have recently been added. The hospital has Departments of Radiology, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy and Laboratory facilities with a full range of modern, sophisticated equipment and has access to the Rand Mutual Hospital in Johannesburg for the referral of cases requiring treatment in other specialties. The medical staff is headed by a Medical Superintendent and comprises a Specialist Physician, Specialist Surgeon, a full-time Medical Officer, a Dental Officer and visiting Consultants in various disciplines. The hospital is mainly staffed by female doctors trained with specialist qualifications in surgery - with the Physician assuming responsibilities for the medical division. Apart from cases under his direct care, he will consult and advise other doctors on their patients and will have teaching responsibilities in the hospital context. Applicants for this post must be in possession of a higher degree in medicine. The appointment will be encouraged to devote time to any special interests of his own and to attend symposiums and seminars on the developments in the medical sphere. The position offers a competitive salary, guaranteed 10% annual bonus, high quality housing with swimming pool at rental, full use of a prestige company car, pension, medical aid, 55 calendar days leave, assistance with relocation expenses and an excellent range of social and recreational facilities. Applicants are asked to send full personal and career details to: Dr. B. D. Lascelles, C/O S.A.A. Bryant, ACS International Appointments Ltd, 40 Holborn Viaduct, London EC1P 1AL. Telephone 01-253 1649. Interviews will be held in the UK on Monday 3rd December and Tuesday 4th December, 1984.

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Applicants must have a background in editing and publishing technical material for a technical readership (preferably for the construction industry) and the ability to manage and supervise all stages of production from conception through to printing. The scope of this appointment provides a challenging opportunity for the successful applicant to extend and further develop the Association's publishing activities. The Publications Manager is a senior appointment and the starting salary, to be negotiated on the basis of qualifications and experience, will be commensurate with that level.

Please apply in writing giving relevant details of career and background to: **Manager, Personnel Services, Cement and Concrete Association, Wexham Springs, Slough SL3 6PL.**

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GENERAL MANAGER

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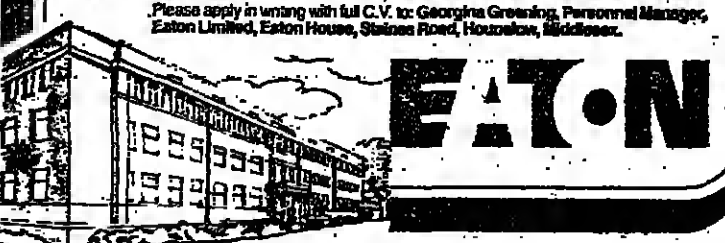
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Milk Cup Soccer

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TO REPLAY

By DONALD SAUNDERS

SOUTHAMPTON and Queens Park Rangers will resume their quest for a place in the Milk Cup quarter-finals on the plastic surface at Loftus Road next Tuesday, following their failure to settle this fourth round tie at the rainsoaked Dell last night.

As Rangers had failed to score in their previous four games, they cannot have felt too confident about breaking this dismal sequence against Southampton, who have been undefeated in England since early September.

Yet the Londoners moved in front after 35 minutes, when Fenwick, their captain, drove home a penalty wide of the leaping Shilton's outstretched left hand.

This was Rangers' first goal since Gregory knocked Aston Villa out of the previous round of this competition at Loftus Road three weeks ago.

Williams, Southampton's captain, was the culprit. In turn, he



Joe Jordan... bold efforts for Southampton.

no doubt blamed the atrocious conditions for his lapse.

Five hours of steady rain had left the pitch almost waterlogged. Consequently players could not be certain whether the ball would slide over the sodden surface or come to an abrupt halt in one of the deeper pools.

In this case, however, it was the Williams' case, unwise as it seemed, that he decided to attempt a back pass, immediately

sensed that it would be taken by the alert, Banister before he could reach the ball.

So only once in the first half did they look seriously like scoring, when Jordan shot his way past the keeper, but the penalty box, they drove his shot at the advancing Hucker.

The rain fell even more heavily after the interval, making conditions still more difficult. Williams sent a well-judged pass into the penalty box where Jordan collected the ball safely, then drove it against the legs of the advancing Hucker.

Southampton's equaliser came in the 63rd minute. Wallace began the move with a cross from the right which was headed towards the line by Armstrong. Although Hucker got his hands to the ball it spun away from him and Curtis promptly placed in in the net.

Southampton—Shilton, Mills, Daniels, Jordan, Armstrong, Wallace, Fenwick, Hucker, Banister, Williams, Stewart, Saunders, Broadhead, Gregory.



Eric Gates, who hit the bar during early Ipswich pressure, and (right) John Aldridge, whose mobility was a big factor in Oxford's attacking threat.

LUTON
ARE SOON
ON RACKBy PETER KEELING
Sheffield Wednesday 4,
Luton 2

A HAT-TRICK of penalties by former Aston Villa midfielder, Andy Blair, shot Luton Town out of the Milk Cup as their Yorkshire rivals reached the quarter-finals for the third successive year.

Too lightweight, apart from the cumbersome figure of Droy, to cause any serious problems to Sheffield Wednesday's struggling southern team were soon two goals down.

But they seemed to have every right to feel aggrieved at the manner of the all-important opening 10th-minute goal, a penalty by Blair after Droy had been judged to have pushed Chapman.

Several times Luton came close to cracking the Wednesday defence but they had obviously worked on a plan in training. Stein looked sharp and busy while Buno was also using the ball well.

Hill disappoints
But Luton's midfield was most disappointing, especially Hill, and it was no surprise when the Yorkshire side scored a second goal in the 33rd minute.

Loves headed on a pass from Smith and after Chapman's shot had been charged down and defenders had chances to clear, Marwood reacted quickest to score an opportunist goal.

Luton's night of disaster continued when a linesman intervened to award another penalty to the 33rd minute.

Wood, who was forced into a bad-looking offence by Donaghy after a centre by Shilton, Blair stepped up again to make it 3-0.

Blair went into the record books with his third penalty of the game in the 70th minute after Shilton had been pulled down by North.

As Wednesday relaxed on their 4-0 lead, Luton had a brief final flicker with goals by Elliott in the 81st and 86th minutes.

Southampton—Shilton, Mills, Daniels, Jordan, Armstrong, Wallace, Fenwick, Hucker, Banister, Williams, Stewart, Saunders, Broadhead, Gregory.

Luton—Droy, Blair, Brooker, Turner, North, Smith, Loves, Wood, Chapman, Shilton, Elliott, Swan, Munn.

Aldershot
COAST HOME

By A Special Correspondent
Aldershot 4
Newport 0

SAD Newport slumped to their heaviest defeat of the season when they were bowled out of the FA Cup by Aldershot in a rain-soaked first round replay at the Recreation Ground last night.

Aldershot started with plenty of fire despite heavy rain and packed Newport in two goals in the first 35 minutes.

A shocking clearance from Newport goalkeeper Mark Kentill faced Banton who hammered in his eighth goal of the season in the 11th minute, and Foley rattled in the second after good work by McDonald and Shrubbs.

Aldershot made it 3-0 with a McDonald penalty after Carter pulled down Foley after 44 minutes.

In the 46th minute Aldershot made it 4-0 when Foley forced a deflection into the net. In the 50th minute, Matthews hit the ball into the net in an effort to clear, but it was a deflection.

Aldershot's victory was a surprise, as they had been defeated by Newport in the first round of the FA Cup last night.

Outstanding saves
After an even game, John Lyon beat Lattimer Upper 1-0 with a goal scored direct from corner, but they were kept in the game by their goalkeeper who made three outstanding saves.

Dr Challinor's GS dominated the second half against Sir William Herschel GS and scored three goals in four minutes to add to their 1-0 interval lead.

Bournemouth's School defeated Gillingham 3-1 in the Dorset Cup semi-final, play local rivals Poole GS in the final.

In a midweek, they defeated Richard Panton 2-1 in their unbeaten run in the league in 23 games. The score was 1-1 until 10 minutes from time.

When Bournemouth's coach, Richard Panton, was injured, strikers Morris and Skivington each scored excellent individual goals.

Watford hit three
in 17 minutesBy ROGER MALONE
Watford 4 West Bromwich Albion 1

WATFORD's lust for Cup success, deriving from season's march to Wembley in the FA Cup, took them purposefully into the Milk Cup quarter-finals last night despite West Bromwich Albion's early lead.

Albion were first to prosper in the tricky conditions—a sodden pitch and heavy rain. During several smart moves involving Hunt, his misfired shot was pumped home after three minutes by David Cross.

Thames, misjudging his clearance effort after Hunt supplied the pass, could have increased the Albion lead before Rostron signalled Watford's recovery.

He burst through and in to head off Robertson's superb save to turn Reilly's header for a corner.

But Watford's capacity to get a lot of players into attacking positions brought three goals in a 17 minutes spell. Barnes played an shining free kick into the box and as numerous headers hitched far it, the lanky Reilly's head got the scoring touch.

Lucky goal
Then Blissett scored a typical Watford goal. When Sinnott hit an instant long ball out of defence, Blissett was accelerating to take a long shot.

Taylor's goal, though, after 34 minutes, contained an element of a fortunate. His 20 yard drive, after a veritable blitz on the visitors goal, needed a deflection.

Watford—Colton, Sinnott, Jackson, Taylor, Terry, McMillan, Gorton, Blissett, Rostron, Barnes, West Bromwich Albion—Gordon, Nichol, Statham, Hunt, Cross, Robertson, Rostron, Thompson, McKinnon, O. Conn, Valentine.

Fulham crushed by
lowly Carlisle

Carlisle 3 Fulham 0
Carlisle, fourth from the bottom of the Second Division, proved far superior to London rivals Fulham, who were denied any opportunity to develop any rhythm at Brunton Park last night.

After only five minutes John Cook, playing in his first full game since leaving Sunderland, lined up a 20-yard chance for Don O'Riordan, though the shot was narrowly over the bar it demonstrated O'Riordan's sharpness.

The solid defender, last night playing in his 88th minute, was finally successful in the 21st minute.

McMillan Pocketed chested down on the edge of the area for a well-directed, 15-yard shot that O'Riordan which gave Carlisle only their 11th goal of the season.

Peyton in place
Pocketed, Carlisle's top scorer last season, had wasted an early chance, shooting straight at Fulham goalkeeper Gerry Peyton. But he nearly made amends in the 33rd minute when he turned on the ball to draw a fine save from Peyton with the Fulham man palming over from Poskett's 30-yard attempt.

Carlisle continued on the attack in the second half, scoring with 31 minutes gone. O'Riordan again posed a serious threat. His hard, low shot was gathered by Peyton with the Fulham man palming over from Poskett's 30-yard attempt.

A minute later, however, Carlisle succeeded in scoring their third goal. Dave McHughie's shot from near the corner of the six-yard box hit the crossbar and bounced into the net.

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Zondervan blow
for game Oxford

By MICHAEL CALVIN

Ipswich 2 Oxford 1

OXFORD, the most consistent team in the Football League, were condemned to a rare defeat by Romeo Zondervan's second-half goal at Portman Road last night, which earned Ipswich a quarter-final place in the Milk Cup.

Ipswich, the latest First Division side obliged to risk their reputation against the Second Division leaders, quickly discovered the qualities behind Oxford's run of only one defeat in 32 matches.

With the recalled Purney an indomitable influence in difficult conditions they were unlucky that their intelligent initial pressure produced only a 20-yard drive by Gates which cannoned to safety off the cross-bar.

But Oxford repelled when an unchallenged Rhodes-Brown header hit the foot of a post and they remained undaunted when Rhodes-Brown's right-wing cross for D'Arvey to nod in his third Cup goal of the season.

Oxford's attacking threat, emphasised by the mobility of Aldridge, could not be denied and within three minutes Brooker had provided a memorable equaliser.

His options were limited when he received a crossfield pass from Rhodes-Brown yet his 35-yard drive flew in off the far post with complete accuracy.

Hardwick exerts
It was the type of wholehearted entertainment which made one forget the rain and Ipswich should have regained the lead when Sunderland forced a marvellous reflex save from Brooker and from the result of the header by Langman.

Oxford's measured response to the challenge, underlined by the mobility of Aldridge, was a surprise when he fell behind in the 69th minute.

Zondervan and Barley cleverly found space for themselves on the right flank and the Dutchman took advantage of an exposed defence to advance before planting an angled shot into the far corner.

When a side with such renowned powers of recovery could survive that blow, although Cooper had a moment of alarm at Molyneux, Palmer made his debut against Birmingham in Oct. 1975.

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Badminton

BADDELEY
BEST NOT
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By D. J. RUTNAGUR

ZHAO JIANHUA, China's leading men's singles player, last night beat S. Baddeley, main stay of England in the sixth international at Woking to finish the series unbeaten, a feat emulated by Martin Dew and Gillian Gilks, England's doubles pair.

The match by Dew and Gilks, one of their easiest in the series, came with England two down, Fiona Elliott, having lost the first of two women's singles to Chen Minhua.

The clash between Baddeley, England, and Zhen Jianhua, China, was their second in the series and, like the first in the opening match, it went to three sets. Zhen Jianhua won the final game to five all but the most

of the tournament was heavily taxed when deciding against setting at 15-13 in the second game. Earlier in that game he had suffered a run of enforced errors unquestionably induced by fatigue.

Nevertheless, to finish the match on such a high note against a more experienced opponent reflected admirably on the Chinese youngster. As for the Englishman, he had a poor match at Bournemouth on Monday he played at his best.

However, Zhen Jianhua's great heights in artistry and deception, invariably getting the better of Baddeley in duels at the net.

For one so young, Zhen was tactically alert. After his initial success in the second game, he was down 8-0 and 8-11, but drew level by changing the pace of the rallies, serving low and fast, and hitting earlier.

Fiona Elliott, ranked sixth in England, fought harder in her best match of the series than the second night's 1981 win at Telford. Their current success and the inclusion of Paul James, Steve Vaughan and Steve O'Shea in England's team should produce a crowd of at least 2,500.

Bolton have been expelled from the Anglo-Scottish Cup for failing to arrange their home fixtures satisfactorily in the North West group.

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Australian Lawn Tennis

DURIE THROUGH TO THIRD ROUND: WADE BEATEN

By JOHN PARSONS

BRITAIN'S Jo Durie, the defending champion, made comfortable headway into the third round of the New South Wales Open in Sydney yesterday, but the main spotlight fell on the relentless Martina Navratilova.

Next week, in Melbourne, the world champion will be launching her two-week quest not only to retain the Australian Open title but also to surpass Margaret Court's record of winning six consecutive grand slam tournaments.

Since equalling the Australian's feat at the United States Open, Miss Navratilova—only half-way towards her second \$1 million grand slam bonus—has continued to be insuperable.

Her 6-4, 6-2, second-round victory against Mary Lou Piatek yesterday was her 16th consecutive winning singles.

Wade beaten

Fresh from a six-week break, Miss Navratilova, who quickly adapted herself back into impressive form on grass, said: "I'm still learning all the time. I still think I can play at a higher level."

Virginia Wade must have missed feeling in losing 6-0, 1-6, 6-1 in the first round, for her opponent was Pascale Paradis, the young French player she had been coaching since Wimbledon.

Miss Navratilova's opponent, Miss Paradis, was beaten 6-0, 1-6, 6-1.

There were many fine points and much determination on both sides in a two-and-a-half hour struggle between two industrious competitors before Miss Reeves came through 6-7, 6-3, 6-1.

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WALPOLE PUTS OUT BOLD WOOD

SHELLEY WALPOLE'S extra experience helped her to stage a remarkable comeback against Clare Wood, one of Britain's most promising juniors, in the second of the LTA's women's indoor circuit events at Peterborough yesterday, writes John Parsons.

Having lost the first set while making many unforced errors, Miss Walpole, 18, suddenly found her range and rhythm to take the next two games on her way to a 1-6, 6-0, 6-1 victory.

Jo Lewis, from Devon, registered another useful result in beating Isabelle Crudo, 18, from France 6-3, 1-6, 6-1, and now meets Sally Reeves, who figured in a marathon with Ellmore Lighthill.

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GOLF
BARNES FINED £1,500

By MICHAEL WILLIAMS
BRIAN BARNES, never one to mince his words, has been fined a total of £1,500 for making derogatory remarks at two different golf tournaments.

Barnes, 39, a Ryder Cup player many times, was fined £1,000 for comments he made about the PGA and its staff during the Southern Professional Championship at Moorings Heath in September.

It was during the PGA after a general committee meeting at The Belfry, "within the hearing of the sponsor, officials and members of the public."

Barnes was then fined a further £500 for criticism he made during a live television interview on the lack of preparation for the Dublin course for the Dryburgh Scottish PGA championship "during which he was said to have sworn on several occasions."

Previous offences
It is not the first time Barnes has been in trouble for failing to mince his words. He was fined for comments he once made about the course at The Belfry and also for depositing a tee box at Wentworth in an adjacent garden.

At the same PGA hearing, Bill Lunn was fined £500 for failing to resume his first round in the Southern Professional championship after there had been a break for indecent weather.

It was stated that Longmire did not inform officials of his decision not to resume play. Both he and Barnes seek letters of explanation. They have 28 days in which to appeal.

HENRY IS HONOURED

WAYNE HENRY, 14, who led the Open Championship regional qualifying round at Porters Park, was yesterday presented with the Golf Foundation Award for 1984, writes Michael Williams.

Henry, from the Redburn club in Hertfordshire, had an outstanding year, also won both the Peter McEvoy trophy at Copthelm and the Golf Foundation Under-15 championship at Watlington Heath.

The nephew of Ron Henry, the former Tottenham and England full-back, Wayne was subsequently a member of the England boys team and impressed the selection committee with his application to the game.

For the third year running, the Golf Foundation made a profit. Tom Wheeler, the chairman, revealed at the annual meeting, though the surplus of £1,000 was down on 1982 and 1983.

The Guy Payne trophy, which is given to the club which raises the biggest sum of money in the annual Golf Foundation appeal, went to Boreham in Essex with £242.

CHAPMAN TREK WORTHWHILE

David Russell and Roger Chapman both scored 67 yesterday, four strokes better than their nearest challenger, when the 54-hole Hotel Peninsula Longshot Golf Pro-Am began in Portugal.

Gordon Brand, Jr. had a 71, a stroke ahead of Mike McLean. Chapman's main trouble involved reaching the 6,883-yard par-73 course, which he managed by dint of a 16-hour journey on Monday from Bahia in Morocco, via Paris, Lisbon and Faro.

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Brian Barnes... has to pay the penalty for his indiscretions.

Ice Hockey

Latto goal affirms Flyers' thin lead

By HOWARD BASS

FIVE FLYERS hung on to a one-point Reioeken Premier Division lead when, with 25 seconds remaining, Gordon Latto snatched a 7-7 draw at Nottingham after Dwayne Keward's third goal had put the Panthers in front.

Second-placed Murrayfield Racers, the only unbeaten club, outplayed visiting Southampton 16-5, four goals apiece coming from Tony Hand, Jim Lynch, Larry Gaudet and John Har.

Southampton had earlier gone down 1-1 at Dundee, where Ron Ben hit eight and Roy Halpin three, but Daniel St John denied a shutout for goalie Mike Ward 90 seconds from time.

Dundee's return to form continued with an 11-6 home victory over Streatham, thanks mainly to Ron Ben hit eight and Roy Halpin three, but Daniel St John denied a shutout for goalie Mike Ward 90 seconds from time.

Streatham's undefeated run had been halted 24 hours before at Avon where three Paul Bedford goals helped the Scots gain control at a match marred by an overdose of penalties.

To the picture
Durham Wasps had better luck next day at Avon. Stephen Cooper grabbing the winner in the final minute of a 6-5 thriller, Paul Tilley notched five in Durham's second weekend win, having previously triumphed 10-3 at Cleveland where Jamie Crapper was top scorer with four.

Glasgow Dynamos achieved a first Division double in London, where Lee Valley Lions suffered their first home defeat, Jack Bestie's fourth goal snatching Glasgow's victory by the odd goal in 15.

Bill Watson netted another three, for a tally of 25 goals in seven games for the Lions, who still head the division by four points.

Golf Roundabout

American failure a Ryder Cup sign

By MICHAEL WILLIAMS



Tom Kite "no excuses."

THERE is no doubt that the talking point of the World Cup at Olgrata, north of Spaio, winners for the fourth time in eight years, as the United States, who tied for 12th place, 22 strokes behind.

This was America's worst finish in the 31 years of a competition they have won 16 times, eighth in 1977 being their previous lowest. It further heightened speculation over the outcome of next year's Ryder Cup match at The Belfry, Sutton Coldfield.

All four teams from the British Isles—Scotland, the joint runners-up, England and Wales, who tied for 14th and 15th—finished above them, plus of course Spain and even Italy.

After the close match 12 months ago, when America retained the Ryder Cup by the skin of their teeth (14-15), at PGA National in Florida, it was yet further

emphasis of the shift in the balance of golfing power. As an American commentator pointed out, it was not even as if the United States were weakly represented. Both Tom Kite and Larry Wadkins are golfers of good standing. Neither has a reputation for being a "hot" player, but they were certainly stronger than Rex Caldwell and John Cook, who won in Jakarta in 1982.

If this was not America's strongest team—for instance, Tom Watson, who has unapologetically represented the United States in the World Cup—nor on the other hand were the Spanish, Scottish or Italian teams able to field their top men either.

Olgrata, away after days of storms, was also the sort of result which it was easy to get depressed. However it was, as Kite admitted, "the same for everyone. He made no excuses. "Just bad play," he said.

As a likely member of next year's Ryder Cup team, he suspects the Americans could be in for a real scrap, though history suggests that they are never more dangerous than when apparently in a tight corner.

U S admissions
The party of American writers, who had their legs pulled unceremoniously by the British—totally when they were congratulated on Kite and Wadkins catching Austria after two rounds—readily acknowledged that their country is no longer the golfing super power it was.

Victories on the American tour by Severiano Ballesteros, Greg Norman, Nick Faldo, Peter Oosterhuis, Denis Watson, David Graham and Iso Aoki and, even more recently, by Sandy Lyle in a "non-counting" but very lucrative tournament in Hawaii, are results to which blind eyes can not be turned.

One of the chief differences in the past between golfers from America and those from other countries, has been psychological, perhaps even more than technical.

Technical equality came first as a result, it now seems indisputable, of the conversion to the larger 1.68 inch ball. In golfing terms this was as big an upheaval as the Industrial Revolution.

Museum piece
It is doubtful whether any of the younger players today have ever played competitively with the small ball, which is rapidly becoming something of a museum piece.

Now that they have mastered the ball, it is a pity that in European conditions that are basically more taxing than those in the United States, the psychological barrier is crumbling as well. It is now rare for an American invader to come to Britain and win a tournament.

Cricket

Marks not Pocock looks Test choice

By MICHAEL CAREY in Rajkot

ENGLAND have named Vic Marks rather than Pat Pocock as their off-spinner for their game against West Zone, starting at Rajkot today, an indication that the Somerset all-rounder's batting may earn him a place in next week's first Test in Bombay.

Paul Allott is preferred to Neil Foster as Norman Cowan's new ball partner and although Martyn Moxon rejoined the England party yesterday following the death of his father he was, as expected, not considered.

The choice of Marks suggests that England, as ever, are worried about the depth of their batting, as well they might after a defeat by the Indian Under-25 side at Ahmedabad.

Whether England will need two spinners at Bombay is another matter. A variable pitch accommodated the quicker bowlers. England were beaten in three and a half days in 1981 but it may be significant that the Indian selectors have included only their party of 14, including Sivaramakrishnan, the leg-spinner who contributed to England's downfall this week.

Disciplined batting
What England require from today's game, which is intended to be a "four-day" affair, though a dry, hard-worn pitch may have something to say about that, is the opportunity to bat with discipline and to give lack of batting decisions, for a long time.

This particularly applies to their opening pair, Fowler and Roberts, who have latterly given so much cause for concern that the loss of Moxon before he had time to become a regular batsman was a particularly cruel blow.

Fowler, who was unshaky with his L.H.W. decision at Ahmedabad, has not yet made runs in any quantity and with an approach which gives the bowlers a chance, has looked very vulnerable around off stump.

But this is nothing new, and he can hardly be expected to change a method which makes him a heavy scorer in county cricket and has brought him some success at test level, while Roberts has, at best, shown a certain tentativeness against spin which was previously out suspected.

Meanwhile the future of the third Test at Calcutta may be resolved in discussions today. Not only that game but others in the East at Gauhati on Dec. 19 and Cuttack on Dec. 21 may have to be rescheduled, a tour which is rapidly becoming a travel agent's as well as a cricket's nightmare.

It was announced yesterday that England's match on Dec. 7, originally due to be against North Zone at Mohan Nagar, will now be played at the Bankside Stadium in Bombay with opposition provided by a combined North and Central Zone side.

NEW UMPIRES
John Hampshire, the former England, Yorkshire and Derbyshire batsman, is one of three first-class umpires to be appointed to the umpires list next season. The others are Allan Lamb, Somerset, and Sussex, Somerset, Middlesex and Glamorgan, and another Glamorgan player, Kevin Lewis.

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